PUBLIC NOTICE AMENDMENTS
2021 FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
STATE OF UTAH
Chief Sponsor: Karen Mayne
House Sponsor: Joel Ferry
LONG TITLE
General Description:
This bill modifies provisions relating to public notice requirements.
Highlighted Provisions:
This bill:
<ul> <li>provides publishing in a newspaper of general circulation as an option to other</li> </ul>
methods of providing notice, under certain circumstances;
▶ limits the number of notices required to be posted under a method of posting if that
posting of notice option applies; and
<ul><li>makes technical changes.</li></ul>
Money Appropriated in this Bill:
None
Other Special Clauses:
This bill provides a special effective date.
<b>Utah Code Sections Affected:</b>
AMENDS:
10-2-406 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84
and 355
10-2-406 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
345, and 355
10-2-407 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,



28	112, and 355
29	10-2-407 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
30	112, 345, and 355
31	10-2-415 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84
32	and 355
33	10-2-415 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
34	345, and 355
35	10-2-418 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84
36	and 355
37	10-2-418 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
38	345, and 355
39	10-2-419 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84
40	and 355
41	10-2-419 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
42	345, and 355
43	10-2-502.5 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters
44	84 and 355
45	10-2-502.5 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
46	345, and 355
47	10-2-703 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84
48	and 355
49	10-2-703 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
50	344, and 355
51	10-2-708 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84
52	and 355
53	10-2-708 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
54	345, and 355
55	10-2a-210 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters
56	84, 112, and 355
57	10-2a-210 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
58	112, 345, and 355

59	10-2a-213 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84
60	and 355
61	10-2a-213 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
62	345, and 355
63	10-2a-214 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84
64	and 355
65	10-2a-214 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
66	345, and 355
67	10-2a-215 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84
68	and 355
69	10-2a-215 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
70	345, and 355
71	10-2a-404, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
72	10-2a-405 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84
73	and 355
74	10-2a-405 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
75	345, and 355
76	10-2a-410, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
77	10-18-203 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84
78	and 355
79	10-18-203 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
80	345, and 355
81	11-14-202 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84
82	and 355
83	11-14-202 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
84	345, and 355
85	17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters
86	84 and 355
87	17B-1-643 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
88	345, and 355
89	17B-2a-705 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters

90	84 and 355
91	17B-2a-705 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84
92	345, and 355
93	20A-1-206, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
94	20A-3a-604 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters
95	84 and 355
96	20A-3a-604 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84
97	345, and 355
98	20A-4-104 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters
99	62, 84, and 355
100	<b>20A-4-104</b> (Effective <b>07/01/21</b> ), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 62,
101	84, 345, and 355
102	20A-4-304 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters
103	84 and 355
104	<b>20A-4-304</b> (Effective <b>07/01/21</b> ), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
105	345, and 355
106	20A-5-101 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters
107	84 and 355
108	<b>20A-5-101</b> (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
109	345, and 355
110	20A-5-403.5 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters
111	84 and 355
112	<b>20A-5-403.5</b> (Effective <b>07/01/21</b> ), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84
113	345, and 355
114	20A-5-405 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters
115	84 and 355
116	<b>20A-5-405</b> (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,
117	345, and 355
118	20A-9-203 (Superseded 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters
119	84, 183, and 355
120	20A-9-203 (Effective 07/01/21), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84,

151

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
Section 1. Section 10-2-406 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
10-2-406 (Superseded 07/01/21). Notice of certification Publishing and
providing notice of petition.
(1) After receipt of the notice of certification from the city recorder or town clerk under
Subsection 10-2-405(2)(c)(i), the municipal legislative body shall [publish] provide notice:
(a) within the area proposed for annexation and the unincorporated area within 1/2 mile
of the area proposed for annexation, no later than 10 days after the day on which the municipal
legislative body receives the notice of certification:
(i) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population within
the combined area, in places within the combined area that are most likely to give notice to the
residents within, and the owners of real property located within, the combined area, subject to a
maximum of 10 notices; or
(ii) by mailing the notice to each residence within, and to each owner of real property
located within, the combined area;
(b) <u>by posting notice</u> on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
63A-12-201, for three weeks, beginning no later than 10 days after the day on which the
municipal legislative body receives the notice of certification;
(c) within 20 days after the day on which the municipal legislative body receives the
notice of certification, by mailing written notice to each affected entity; and
(d) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website for
the period of time described in Subsection (1)(b).
(2) The notice described in Subsection (1) shall:
(a) state that a petition has been filed with the municipality proposing the annexation of
an area to the municipality;
(b) state the date of the municipal legislative body's receipt of the notice of certification
under Subsection 10-2-405(2)(c)(i);
(c) describe the area proposed for annexation in the annexation petition;

(d) state that the complete annexation petition is available for inspection and copying at

the office of the city recorder or town clerk;

153

154

155

156

157

158159

160

161162

163

164

165

166167

168

169

170

171

172

173

174

175

176177

178179

182

(e) state in conspicuous and plain terms that the municipality may grant the petition and annex the area described in the petition unless, within the time required under Subsection 10-2-407(2)(a)(i), a written protest to the annexation petition is filed with the commission and a copy of the protest delivered to the city recorder or town clerk of the proposed annexing municipality;

- (f) state the address of the commission or, if a commission has not yet been created in the county, the county clerk, where a protest to the annexation petition may be filed;
- (g) state that the area proposed for annexation to the municipality will also automatically be annexed to a local district providing fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services or a local district providing law enforcement service, as the case may be, as provided in Section 17B-1-416, if:
- (i) the proposed annexing municipality is entirely within the boundaries of a local district:
  - (A) that provides fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services or law enforcement service, respectively; and
  - (B) in the creation of which an election was not required because of Subsection 17B-1-214(3)(c); and
  - (ii) the area proposed to be annexed to the municipality is not already within the boundaries of the local district; and
  - (h) state that the area proposed for annexation to the municipality will be automatically withdrawn from a local district providing fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services or a local district providing law enforcement service, as the case may be, as provided in Subsection 17B-1-502(2), if:
  - (i) the petition proposes the annexation of an area that is within the boundaries of a local district:
  - (A) that provides fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services or law enforcement service, respectively; and
- 180 (B) in the creation of which an election was not required because of Subsection 181 17B-1-214(3)(c); and
  - (ii) the proposed annexing municipality is not within the boundaries of the local

district.

- (3) (a) The statement required by Subsection (2)(e) shall state the deadline for filing a written protest in terms of the actual date rather than by reference to the statutory citation.
- (b) In addition to the requirements under Subsection (2), a notice under Subsection (1) for a proposed annexation of an area within a county of the first class shall include a statement that a protest to the annexation petition may be filed with the commission by property owners if it contains the signatures of the owners of private real property that:
- (i) is located in the unincorporated area within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for annexation;
- (ii) covers at least 25% of the private land area located in the unincorporated area within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for annexation; and
- (iii) is equal in value to at least 15% of all real property located in the unincorporated area within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for annexation.
  - Section 2. Section 10-2-406 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:
- 10-2-406 (Effective 07/01/21). Notice of certification -- Publishing and providing notice of petition.
- (1) After receipt of the notice of certification from the city recorder or town clerk under Subsection 10-2-405(2)(c)(i), the municipal legislative body shall [publish] provide notice:
- (a) within the area proposed for annexation and the unincorporated area within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for annexation, no later than 10 days after the day on which the municipal legislative body receives the notice of certification:
- (i) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population within the combined area, in places within the combined area that are most likely to give notice to the residents within, and the owners of real property located within, the combined area, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
- (ii) by mailing the notice to each residence within, and to each owner of real property located within, the combined area;
- (b) <u>by posting notice</u> on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 63A-16-601, for three weeks, beginning no later than 10 days after the day on which the municipal legislative body receives the notice of certification;
  - (c) within 20 days after the day on which the municipal legislative body receives the

214 notice of certification, by mailing written notice to each affected entity; and

(d) if the municipality has a website, <u>by posting notice</u> on the municipality's website for the period of time described in Subsection (1)(b).

(2) The notice described in Subsection (1) shall:

215

216

217

218

219

220221

222

225

226

227228

229

230

231

232

233

234

235

236

237

238239

240

241

242

243

- (a) state that a petition has been filed with the municipality proposing the annexation of an area to the municipality;
- (b) state the date of the municipal legislative body's receipt of the notice of certification under Subsection 10-2-405(2)(c)(i);
  - (c) describe the area proposed for annexation in the annexation petition;
- 223 (d) state that the complete annexation petition is available for inspection and copying at 224 the office of the city recorder or town clerk;
  - (e) state in conspicuous and plain terms that the municipality may grant the petition and annex the area described in the petition unless, within the time required under Subsection 10-2-407(2)(a)(i), a written protest to the annexation petition is filed with the commission and a copy of the protest delivered to the city recorder or town clerk of the proposed annexing municipality;
  - (f) state the address of the commission or, if a commission has not yet been created in the county, the county clerk, where a protest to the annexation petition may be filed;
  - (g) state that the area proposed for annexation to the municipality will also automatically be annexed to a local district providing fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services or a local district providing law enforcement service, as the case may be, as provided in Section 17B-1-416, if:
  - (i) the proposed annexing municipality is entirely within the boundaries of a local district:
  - (A) that provides fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services or law enforcement service, respectively; and
  - (B) in the creation of which an election was not required because of Subsection 17B-1-214(3)(c); and
  - (ii) the area proposed to be annexed to the municipality is not already within the boundaries of the local district; and
  - (h) state that the area proposed for annexation to the municipality will be automatically

245	withdrawn from a local district providing fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services or
246	a local district providing law enforcement service, as the case may be, as provided in
247	Subsection 17B-1-502(2), if:
248	(i) the petition proposes the annexation of an area that is within the boundaries of a
249	local district:
250	(A) that provides fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services or law
251	enforcement service, respectively; and
252	(B) in the creation of which an election was not required because of Subsection
253	17B-1-214(3)(c); and
254	(ii) the proposed annexing municipality is not within the boundaries of the local
255	district.
256	(3) (a) The statement required by Subsection (2)(e) shall state the deadline for filing a
257	written protest in terms of the actual date rather than by reference to the statutory citation.
258	(b) In addition to the requirements under Subsection (2), a notice under Subsection (1)
259	for a proposed annexation of an area within a county of the first class shall include a statement
260	that a protest to the annexation petition may be filed with the commission by property owners if
261	it contains the signatures of the owners of private real property that:
262	(i) is located in the unincorporated area within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for
263	annexation;
264	(ii) covers at least 25% of the private land area located in the unincorporated area
265	within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for annexation; and
266	(iii) is equal in value to at least 15% of all real property located in the unincorporated
267	area within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for annexation.
268	Section 3. Section 10-2-407 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
269	10-2-407 (Superseded 07/01/21). Protest to annexation petition Planning
270	advisory area planning commission recommendation Petition requirements
271	Disposition of petition if no protest filed.
272	(1) A protest to an annexation petition under Section 10-2-403 may be filed by:
273	(a) the legislative body or governing board of an affected entity;
274	(b) an owner of rural real property;
275	(c) for a proposed annexation of an area within a county of the first class, an owner of

276	private real property that:
277	(i) is located in the unincorporated area within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for
278	annexation;
279	(ii) covers at least 25% of the private land area located in the unincorporated area
280	within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for annexation; and
281	(iii) is equal in value to at least 15% of all real property located in the unincorporated
282	area within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for annexation; or
283	(d) an owner of private real property located in a mining protection area.
284	(2) Each protest under Subsection (1) shall:
285	(a) be filed:
286	(i) no later than 30 days after the municipal legislative body's receipt of the notice of
287	certification under Subsection 10-2-405(2)(c)(i); and
288	(ii) (A) in a county that has already created a commission under Section 10-2-409, with
289	the commission; or
290	(B) in a county that has not yet created a commission under Section 10-2-409, with the
291	clerk of the county in which the area proposed for annexation is located;
292	(b) state each reason for the protest of the annexation petition and, if the area proposed
293	to be annexed is located in a specified county, justification for the protest under the standards
294	established in this chapter;
295	(c) if the area proposed to be annexed is located in a specified county, contain other
296	information that the commission by rule requires or that the party filing the protest considers
297	pertinent; and
298	(d) contain the name and address of a contact person who is to receive notices sent by
299	the commission with respect to the protest proceedings.
300	(3) The party filing a protest under this section shall on the same date deliver or mail a
301	copy of the protest to the city recorder or town clerk of the proposed annexing municipality.
302	(4) Each clerk who receives a protest under Subsection (2)(a)(ii)(B) shall:
303	(a) immediately notify the county legislative body of the protest; and

304

305

306

(i) receipt of the protest, if the boundary commission has previously been created; or

(ii) creation of the boundary commission under Subsection 10-2-409(1)(b), if the

(b) deliver the protest to the boundary commission within five days after:

307	boundary commission has not previously been created.
308	(5) (a) If a protest is filed under this section:
309	(i) the municipal legislative body may, at its next regular meeting after expiration of
310	the deadline under Subsection (2)(a)(i), deny the annexation petition; or
311	(ii) if the municipal legislative body does not deny the annexation petition under
312	Subsection (5)(a)(i), the municipal legislative body may take no further action on the
313	annexation petition until after receipt of the commission's notice of its decision on the protest
314	under Section 10-2-416.
315	(b) If a municipal legislative body denies an annexation petition under Subsection
316	(5)(a)(i), the municipal legislative body shall, within five days after the denial, send notice of
317	the denial in writing to:
318	(i) the contact sponsor of the annexation petition;
319	(ii) the commission; and
320	(iii) each entity that filed a protest.
321	(6) If no timely protest is filed under this section, the municipal legislative body may,
322	subject to Subsection (7), approve the petition.
323	(7) Before approving an annexation petition under Subsection (6), the municipal
324	legislative body shall hold a public hearing and [publish] provide notice of the public hearing:
325	(a) (i) at least seven days before the day of the public hearing, by posting one notice,
326	and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population within the municipality and the area
327	proposed for annexation, in places within that combined area that are most likely to give notice
328	to the residents within, and the owners of real property located within, the combined area,
329	subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
330	(ii) at least 10 days before the day of the public hearing, by mailing the notice to each
331	residence within, and to each owner of real property located within, the combined area
332	described in Subsection (7)(a)(i);
333	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
334	63A-12-201, for seven days before the day of the public hearing; and
335	(c) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website for
336	seven days before the day of the public hearing.
337	Section 4. Section 10-2-407 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:

338	10-2-407 (Effective 07/01/21). Protest to annexation petition Planning advisory
339	area planning commission recommendation Petition requirements Disposition of
340	petition if no protest filed.
341	(1) A protest to an annexation petition under Section 10-2-403 may be filed by:
342	(a) the legislative body or governing board of an affected entity;
343	(b) an owner of rural real property;
344	(c) for a proposed annexation of an area within a county of the first class, an owner of
345	private real property that:
346	(i) is located in the unincorporated area within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for
347	annexation;
348	(ii) covers at least 25% of the private land area located in the unincorporated area
349	within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for annexation; and
350	(iii) is equal in value to at least 15% of all real property located in the unincorporated
351	area within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for annexation; or
352	(d) an owner of private real property located in a mining protection area.
353	(2) Each protest under Subsection (1) shall:
354	(a) be filed:
355	(i) no later than 30 days after the municipal legislative body's receipt of the notice of
356	certification under Subsection 10-2-405(2)(c)(i); and
357	(ii) (A) in a county that has already created a commission under Section 10-2-409, with
358	the commission; or
359	(B) in a county that has not yet created a commission under Section 10-2-409, with the
360	clerk of the county in which the area proposed for annexation is located;
361	(b) state each reason for the protest of the annexation petition and, if the area proposed
362	to be annexed is located in a specified county, justification for the protest under the standards
363	established in this chapter;
364	(c) if the area proposed to be annexed is located in a specified county, contain other
365	information that the commission by rule requires or that the party filing the protest considers
366	pertinent; and
367	(d) contain the name and address of a contact person who is to receive notices sent by
368	the commission with respect to the protest proceedings.

05-17-21 7:42 PM S.B. 1007

309	(5) The party thing a protest under this section shall on the same date deriver of man a
370	copy of the protest to the city recorder or town clerk of the proposed annexing municipality.
371	(4) Each clerk who receives a protest under Subsection (2)(a)(ii)(B) shall:
372	(a) immediately notify the county legislative body of the protest; and
373	(b) deliver the protest to the boundary commission within five days after:
374	(i) receipt of the protest, if the boundary commission has previously been created; or
375	(ii) creation of the boundary commission under Subsection 10-2-409(1)(b), if the
376	boundary commission has not previously been created.
377	(5) (a) If a protest is filed under this section:
378	(i) the municipal legislative body may, at its next regular meeting after expiration of
379	the deadline under Subsection (2)(a)(i), deny the annexation petition; or
380	(ii) if the municipal legislative body does not deny the annexation petition under
381	Subsection (5)(a)(i), the municipal legislative body may take no further action on the
382	annexation petition until after receipt of the commission's notice of its decision on the protest
383	under Section 10-2-416.
384	(b) If a municipal legislative body denies an annexation petition under Subsection
385	(5)(a)(i), the municipal legislative body shall, within five days after the denial, send notice of
386	the denial in writing to:
387	(i) the contact sponsor of the annexation petition;
388	(ii) the commission; and
389	(iii) each entity that filed a protest.
390	(6) If no timely protest is filed under this section, the municipal legislative body may,
391	subject to Subsection (7), approve the petition.
392	(7) Before approving an annexation petition under Subsection (6), the municipal
393	legislative body shall hold a public hearing and [publish] provide notice of the public hearing:
394	(a) (i) at least seven days before the day of the public hearing, by posting one notice,
395	and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population within the municipality and the area
396	proposed for annexation, in places within that combined area that are most likely to give notice
397	to the residents within, and the owners of real property located within, the combined area,
398	subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
399	(ii) at least 10 days before the day of the public hearing, by mailing the notice to each

400 residence within, and to each owner of real property located within, the combined area 401 described in Subsection (7)(a)(i); 402 (b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 403 63A-16-601, for seven days before the day of the public hearing; and 404 (c) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website for 405 seven days before the day of the public hearing. 406 Section 5. Section 10-2-415 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read: 407 10-2-415 (Superseded 07/01/21). Public hearing -- Notice. 408 (1) (a) If the results of the feasibility study or supplemental feasibility study meet the 409 requirements of Subsection 10-2-416(3) with respect to a proposed annexation of an area 410 located in a county of the first class, the commission shall hold a public hearing within 30 days 411 after the day on which the commission receives the feasibility study or supplemental feasibility 412 study results. 413 (b) At the public hearing described in Subsection (1)(a), the commission shall: 414 (i) require the feasibility consultant to present the results of the feasibility study and, if 415 applicable, the supplemental feasibility study: 416 (ii) allow those present to ask questions of the feasibility consultant regarding the study 417 results; and 418 (iii) allow those present to speak to the issue of annexation. 419 (2) The commission shall [publish] provide notice of the public hearing described in Subsection (1)(a) within the area proposed for annexation, the surrounding 1/2 mile of 420 421 unincorporated area, and the proposed annexing municipality: (a) (i) at least two weeks before the day of the public hearing, by posting one notice, 422 423 and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population within the combined area, in places within the combined area that are most likely to give notice of the public hearing to the 424 425 residents within, and the owners of real property located within, the combined area, subject to a 426 maximum of 10 notices; or 427

- (ii) by mailing notice to each residence within, and to each owner of real property located within, the combined area;
- (b) <u>by posting notice</u> on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 63A-12-201, for two weeks before the day of the public hearing;

05-17-21 7:42 PM S.B. 1007

431	(c) by sending written notice of the public hearing to the municipal legislative body of
432	the proposed annexing municipality, the contact sponsor on the annexation petition, each entity
433	that filed a protest, and, if a protest was filed under Subsection 10-2-407(1)(c), the contact
434	person;
435	(d) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website for
436	two weeks before the day of the public hearing; and
437	(e) by posting notice on the county's website for two weeks before the day of the public
438	hearing.
439	(3) The notice described in Subsection (2) shall:
440	(a) be entitled, "notice of annexation hearing";
441	(b) state the name of the annexing municipality;
442	(c) describe the area proposed for annexation; and
443	(d) specify the following sources where an individual may obtain a copy of the
444	feasibility study conducted in relation to the proposed annexation:
445	(i) if the municipality has a website, the municipality's website;
446	(ii) a municipality's physical address; and
447	(iii) a mailing address and telephone number.
448	(4) Within 30 days after the time under Subsection 10-2-407(2) for filing a protest has
449	expired with respect to a proposed annexation of an area located in a specified county, the
450	boundary commission shall hold a hearing on all protests that were filed with respect to the
451	proposed annexation.
452	(5) At least 14 days before the date of a hearing described in Subsection (4), the
453	commission chair shall [publish] provide notice of the hearing:
454	(a) (i) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population
455	within the area proposed for annexation, in places within the area that are most likely to give
456	notice of the hearing to the residents within, and the owners of real property located within, the
457	area, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
458	(ii) by mailing notice to each resident within, and each owner of real property located
459	within, the area proposed for annexation;

(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section

63A-12-201, for 14 days before the day of the hearing;

460

462 (c) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website for 463 two weeks before the day of the public hearing; and 464 (d) by posting notice on the county's website for two weeks before the day of the public 465 hearing. 466 (6) Each notice described in Subsection (5) shall: 467 (a) state the date, time, and place of the hearing; 468 (b) briefly summarize the nature of the protest; and 469 (c) state that a copy of the protest is on file at the commission's office. 470 (7) The commission may continue a hearing under Subsection (4) from time to time, 471 but no continued hearing may be held later than 60 days after the original hearing date. 472 (8) In considering protests, the commission shall consider whether the proposed 473 annexation: 474 (a) complies with the requirements of Sections 10-2-402 and 10-2-403 and the annexation policy plan of the proposed annexing municipality; 475 476 (b) conflicts with the annexation policy plan of another municipality; and 477 (c) if the proposed annexation includes urban development, will have an adverse tax 478 consequence on the remaining unincorporated area of the county. 479 (9) (a) The commission shall record each hearing under this section by electronic 480 means. (b) A transcription of the recording under Subsection (9)(a), the feasibility study, if 481 482 applicable, information received at the hearing, and the written decision of the commission 483 shall constitute the record of the hearing. 484 Section 6. Section 10-2-415 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read: 485 10-2-415 (Effective 07/01/21). Public hearing -- Notice. (1) (a) If the results of the feasibility study or supplemental feasibility study meet the 486 487 requirements of Subsection 10-2-416(3) with respect to a proposed annexation of an area 488 located in a county of the first class, the commission shall hold a public hearing within 30 days 489 after the day on which the commission receives the feasibility study or supplemental feasibility 490 study results. 491 (b) At the public hearing described in Subsection (1)(a), the commission shall: 492 (i) require the feasibility consultant to present the results of the feasibility study and, if

applicable, the supplemental feasibility study;

494

495

496

497

498

499

500

501

502

503

504

505

506

507

508

509

510

511

512

513

514

515

516

517

518

519

- (ii) allow those present to ask questions of the feasibility consultant regarding the study results; and
  - (iii) allow those present to speak to the issue of annexation.
- (2) The commission shall [publish] provide notice of the public hearing described in Subsection (1)(a) within the area proposed for annexation, the surrounding 1/2 mile of unincorporated area, and the proposed annexing municipality:
- (a) (i) at least two weeks before the day of the public hearing, by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population within the combined area, in places within the combined area that are most likely to give notice of the public hearing to the residents within, and the owners of real property located within, the combined area, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
- (ii) by mailing notice to each residence within, and to each owner of real property located within, the combined area;
- (b) <u>by posting notice</u> on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 63A-16-601, for two weeks before the day of the public hearing;
- (c) by sending written notice of the public hearing to the municipal legislative body of the proposed annexing municipality, the contact sponsor on the annexation petition, each entity that filed a protest, and, if a protest was filed under Subsection 10-2-407(1)(c), the contact person;
- (d) if the municipality has a website, <u>by posting notice</u> on the municipality's website for two weeks before the day of the public hearing; and
- (e) <u>by posting notice</u> on the county's website for two weeks before the day of the public hearing.
  - (3) The notice described in Subsection (2) shall:
  - (a) be entitled, "notice of annexation hearing";
  - (b) state the name of the annexing municipality;
  - (c) describe the area proposed for annexation; and
- 521 (d) specify the following sources where an individual may obtain a copy of the 522 feasibility study conducted in relation to the proposed annexation:
- 523 (i) if the municipality has a website, the municipality's website;

524	(ii) a municipality's physical address; and
525	(iii) a mailing address and telephone number.
526	(4) Within 30 days after the time under Subsection 10-2-407(2) for filing a protest has
527	expired with respect to a proposed annexation of an area located in a specified county, the
528	boundary commission shall hold a hearing on all protests that were filed with respect to the
529	proposed annexation.
530	(5) At least 14 days before the date of a hearing described in Subsection (4), the
531	commission chair shall [publish] provide notice of the hearing:
532	(a) (i) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population
533	within the area proposed for annexation, in places within the area that are most likely to give
534	notice of the hearing to the residents within, and the owners of real property located within, the
535	area, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
536	(ii) by mailing notice to each resident within, and each owner of real property located
537	within, the area proposed for annexation;
538	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
539	63A-16-601, for 14 days before the day of the hearing;
540	(c) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website for
541	two weeks before the day of the public hearing; and
542	(d) by posting notice on the county's website for two weeks before the day of the public
543	hearing.
544	(6) Each notice described in Subsection (5) shall:
545	(a) state the date, time, and place of the hearing;
546	(b) briefly summarize the nature of the protest; and
547	(c) state that a copy of the protest is on file at the commission's office.
548	(7) The commission may continue a hearing under Subsection (4) from time to time,
549	but no continued hearing may be held later than 60 days after the original hearing date.
550	(8) In considering protests, the commission shall consider whether the proposed
551	annexation:
552	(a) complies with the requirements of Sections 10-2-402 and 10-2-403 and the
553	annexation policy plan of the proposed annexing municipality;

(b) conflicts with the annexation policy plan of another municipality; and

05-17-21 7:42 PM S.B. 1007

555 (c) if the proposed annexation includes urban development, will have an adverse tax 556 consequence on the remaining unincorporated area of the county. 557 (9) (a) The commission shall record each hearing under this section by electronic 558 means. 559 (b) A transcription of the recording under Subsection (9)(a), the feasibility study, if 560 applicable, information received at the hearing, and the written decision of the commission 561 shall constitute the record of the hearing. 562 Section 7. Section 10-2-418 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read: 563 10-2-418 (Superseded 07/01/21). Annexation of an island or peninsula without a 564 petition -- Notice -- Hearing. 565 (1) As used in Subsection (2)(b)(ii), for purposes of an annexation conducted in 566 accordance with this section of an area located within a county of the first class, 567 "municipal-type services" does not include a service provided by a municipality pursuant to a 568 contract that the municipality has with another political subdivision as "political subdivision" is 569 defined in Section 17B-1-102. (2) Notwithstanding Subsection 10-2-402(2), a municipality may annex an 570 571 unincorporated area under this section without an annexation petition if: 572 (a) for an unincorporated area within the expansion area of more than one municipality. 573 each municipality agrees to the annexation; and 574 (b) (i) (A) the area to be annexed consists of one or more unincorporated islands within 575 or unincorporated peninsulas contiguous to the municipality; 576 (B) the majority of each island or peninsula consists of residential or commercial 577 development; 578 (C) the area proposed for annexation requires the delivery of municipal-type services; 579 and 580 (D) the municipality has provided most or all of the municipal-type services to the area 581 for more than one year; 582 (ii) (A) the area to be annexed consists of one or more unincorporated islands within or 583 unincorporated peninsulas contiguous to the municipality, each of which has fewer than 800 584 residents; and

(B) the municipality has provided one or more municipal-type services to the area for

at least one year;

- 587 (iii) the area consists of:
- 588 (A) an unincorporated island within or an unincorporated peninsula contiguous to the municipality; and
  - (B) for an area outside of the county of the first class proposed for annexation, no more than 50 acres; or
  - (iv) (A) the area to be annexed consists only of one or more unincorporated islands in a county of the second class;
    - (B) the area to be annexed is located in the expansion area of a municipality; and
  - (C) the county legislative body in which the municipality is located provides notice to each property owner within the area to be annexed that the county legislative body will hold a public hearing, no less than 15 days after the day on which the county legislative body provides the notice, and may make a recommendation of annexation to the municipality whose expansion area includes the area to be annexed after the public hearing.
  - (3) Notwithstanding Subsection 10-2-402(1)(b)(iii), a municipality may annex a portion of an unincorporated island or unincorporated peninsula under this section, leaving unincorporated the remainder of the unincorporated island or unincorporated peninsula, if:
  - (a) in adopting the resolution under Subsection (5)(a) the municipal legislative body determines that not annexing the entire unincorporated island or unincorporated peninsula is in the municipality's best interest; and
  - (b) for an annexation of one or more unincorporated islands under Subsection (2)(b), the entire island of unincorporated area, of which a portion is being annexed, complies with the requirement of Subsection (2)(b)(ii) relating to the number of residents.
  - (4) (a) This [subsection] Subsection (4) applies only to an annexation within a county of the first class.
  - (b) A county of the first class shall agree to an annexation if the majority of private property owners within the area to be annexed give written consent to the annexation, in accordance with Subsection (4)(d), to the recorder of the annexing municipality.
  - (c) For purposes of Subsection (4)(b), the majority of private property owners is property owners who own:
    - (i) the majority of the total private land area within the area proposed for annexation;

617 and

- (ii) private real property equal to at least 1/2 the value of private real property within the area proposed for annexation.
- (d) A property owner consenting to annexation shall indicate the property owner's consent on a form which includes language in substantially the following form:

"Notice: If this written consent is used to proceed with an annexation of your property in accordance with Utah Code Section 10-2-418, no public election is required by law to approve the annexation. If you sign this consent and later decide you do not want to support the annexation of your property, you may withdraw your signature by submitting a signed, written withdrawal with the recorder or clerk of [name of annexing municipality]. If you choose to withdraw your signature, you must do so no later than the close of the public hearing on the annexation conducted in accordance with Utah Code Subsection 10-2-418(4)(d)."

- (e) A private property owner may withdraw the property owner's signature indicating consent by submitting a signed, written withdrawal with the recorder or clerk no later than the close of the public hearing held in accordance with Subsection (5)(b).
- (5) The legislative body of each municipality intending to annex an area under this section shall:
- (a) adopt a resolution indicating the municipal legislative body's intent to annex the area, describing the area proposed to be annexed; and
- (b) hold a public hearing on the proposed annexation no earlier than 30 days after the adoption of the resolution described in Subsection (5)(a).
- (6) A legislative body described in Subsection (5) shall [publish] provide notice of a public hearing described in Subsection (5)(b):
- (a) (i) at least three weeks before the day of the public hearing, by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population in the municipality and the area proposed for annexation, in places within the combined area that are most likely to give notice to the residents within, and the owners of real property located within, the combined area, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
- (ii) at least three weeks before the day of the public hearing, by mailing notice to each residence within, and each owner of real property located within, the combined area described in Subsection (6)(a)(i);

648	(b) by posting a notice on the Utan Public Notice Website, created in Section
649	63A-12-201, for three weeks before the day of the public hearing;
650	(c) by sending written notice to:
651	(i) the board of each local district and special service district whose boundaries contain
652	some or all of the area proposed for annexation; and
653	(ii) the legislative body of the county in which the area proposed for annexation is
654	located; and
655	(d) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website for
656	three weeks before the day of the public hearing.
657	(7) The legislative body of the annexing municipality shall ensure that:
658	(a) each notice described in Subsection (6):
659	(i) states that the municipal legislative body has adopted a resolution indicating the
660	municipality's intent to annex the area proposed for annexation;
661	(ii) states the date, time, and place of the public hearing described in Subsection (5)(b);
662	(iii) describes the area proposed for annexation; and
663	(iv) except for an annexation that meets the requirements of Subsection (8)(b) or (c),
664	states in conspicuous and plain terms that the municipal legislative body will annex the area
665	unless, at or before the public hearing described in Subsection (5)(b), written protests to the
666	annexation are filed by the owners of private real property that:
667	(A) is located within the area proposed for annexation;
668	(B) covers a majority of the total private land area within the entire area proposed for
669	annexation; and
670	(C) is equal in value to at least 1/2 the value of all private real property within the
671	entire area proposed for annexation; and
672	(b) the first publication of the notice described in Subsection (6)(a) occurs within 14
673	days after the day on which the municipal legislative body adopts a resolution under Subsection
674	(5)(a).
675	(8) (a) Except as provided in Subsections (8)(b)(i) and (8)(c)(i), upon conclusion of the
676	public hearing described in Subsection (5)(b), the municipal legislative body may adopt an
677	ordinance approving the annexation of the area proposed for annexation under this section
678	unless, at or before the hearing, written protests to the annexation have been filed with the

05-17-21 7:42 PM S.B. 1007

recorder or clerk of the municipality by the owners of private real property that:

(i) is located within the area proposed for annexation;

- (ii) covers a majority of the total private land area within the entire area proposed for annexation; and
- (iii) is equal in value to at least 1/2 the value of all private real property within the entire area proposed for annexation.
- (b) (i) Notwithstanding Subsection (8)(a), upon conclusion of the public hearing described in Subsection (5)(b), a municipality may adopt an ordinance approving the annexation of the area proposed for annexation under this section without allowing or considering protests under Subsection (8)(a) if the owners of at least 75% of the total private land area within the entire area proposed for annexation, representing at least 75% of the value of the private real property within the entire area proposed for annexation, have consented in writing to the annexation.
- (ii) Upon the effective date under Section 10-2-425 of an annexation approved by an ordinance adopted under Subsection (8)(b)(i), the area annexed is conclusively presumed to be validly annexed.
- (c) (i) Notwithstanding Subsection (8)(a), upon conclusion of the public hearing described in Subsection (5)(b), a municipality may adopt an ordinance approving the annexation of an area that the county legislative body proposes for annexation under this section without allowing or considering protests under Subsection (8)(a) if the county legislative body has formally recommended annexation to the annexing municipality and has made a formal finding that:
- (A) the area to be annexed can be more efficiently served by the municipality than by the county;
- (B) the area to be annexed is not likely to be naturally annexed by the municipality in the future as the result of urban development;
- (C) annexation of the area is likely to facilitate the consolidation of overlapping functions of local government; and
- (D) annexation of the area is likely to result in an equitable distribution of community resources and obligations.
  - (ii) The county legislative body may base the finding required in Subsection

710	(8)(c)(i)(B) on:
711	(A) exi

- (A) existing development in the area;
- (B) natural or other conditions that may limit the future development of the area; or
- (C) other factors that the county legislative body considers relevant.
- (iii) A county legislative body may make the recommendation for annexation required in Subsection (8)(c)(i) for only a portion of an unincorporated island if, as a result of information provided at the public hearing, the county legislative body makes a formal finding that it would be equitable to leave a portion of the island unincorporated.
- (iv) If a county legislative body has made a recommendation of annexation under Subsection (8)(c)(i):
- (A) the relevant municipality is not required to proceed with the recommended annexation; and
- (B) if the relevant municipality proceeds with annexation, the municipality shall annex the entire area that the county legislative body recommended for annexation.
- (v) Upon the effective date under Section 10-2-425 of an annexation approved by an ordinance adopted under Subsection (8)(c)(i), the area annexed is conclusively presumed to be validly annexed.
- (9) (a) Except as provided in Subsections (8)(b)(i) and (8)(c)(i), if protests are timely filed under Subsection (8)(a), the municipal legislative body may not adopt an ordinance approving the annexation of the area proposed for annexation, and the annexation proceedings under this section shall be considered terminated.
- (b) Subsection (9)(a) does not prohibit the municipal legislative body from excluding from a proposed annexation under Subsection (2)(b) the property within an unincorporated island regarding which protests have been filed and proceeding under Subsection (3) to annex some or all of the remaining portion of the unincorporated island.
  - Section 8. Section 10-2-418 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:

## 10-2-418 (Effective 07/01/21). Annexation of an island or peninsula without a petition -- Notice -- Hearing.

(1) As used in Subsection (2)(b)(ii), for purposes of an annexation conducted in accordance with this section of an area located within a county of the first class, "municipal-type services" does not include a service provided by a municipality pursuant to a

contract that the municipality has with another political subdivision as "political subdivision" is defined in Section 17B-1-102.

- (2) Notwithstanding Subsection 10-2-402(2), a municipality may annex an unincorporated area under this section without an annexation petition if:
- (a) for an unincorporated area within the expansion area of more than one municipality, each municipality agrees to the annexation; and
- (b) (i) (A) the area to be annexed consists of one or more unincorporated islands within or unincorporated peninsulas contiguous to the municipality;
- (B) the majority of each island or peninsula consists of residential or commercial development;
- 751 (C) the area proposed for annexation requires the delivery of municipal-type services; 752 and
- 753 (D) the municipality has provided most or all of the municipal-type services to the area 754 for more than one year;
  - (ii) (A) the area to be annexed consists of one or more unincorporated islands within or unincorporated peninsulas contiguous to the municipality, each of which has fewer than 800 residents; and
  - (B) the municipality has provided one or more municipal-type services to the area for at least one year;
    - (iii) the area consists of:

743

744745

746

747

748

749

750

755

756

757

758

759

760

761

762

763

764

765766

767

768

769

770

- (A) an unincorporated island within or an unincorporated peninsula contiguous to the municipality; and
- (B) for an area outside of the county of the first class proposed for annexation, no more than 50 acres; or
- (iv) (A) the area to be annexed consists only of one or more unincorporated islands in a county of the second class;
  - (B) the area to be annexed is located in the expansion area of a municipality; and
- (C) the county legislative body in which the municipality is located provides notice to each property owner within the area to be annexed that the county legislative body will hold a public hearing, no less than 15 days after the day on which the county legislative body provides the notice, and may make a recommendation of annexation to the municipality whose

expansion area includes the area to be annexed after the public hearing.

(3) Notwithstanding Subsection 10-2-402(1)(b)(iii), a municipality may annex a portion of an unincorporated island or unincorporated peninsula under this section, leaving unincorporated the remainder of the unincorporated island or unincorporated peninsula, if:

- (a) in adopting the resolution under Subsection (5)(a) the municipal legislative body determines that not annexing the entire unincorporated island or unincorporated peninsula is in the municipality's best interest; and
- (b) for an annexation of one or more unincorporated islands under Subsection (2)(b), the entire island of unincorporated area, of which a portion is being annexed, complies with the requirement of Subsection (2)(b)(ii) relating to the number of residents.
- (4) (a) This [subsection] Subsection (4) applies only to an annexation within a county of the first class.
- (b) A county of the first class shall agree to an annexation if the majority of private property owners within the area to be annexed give written consent to the annexation, in accordance with Subsection (4)(d), to the recorder of the annexing municipality.
- (c) For purposes of Subsection (4)(b), the majority of private property owners is property owners who own:
- (i) the majority of the total private land area within the area proposed for annexation; and
- (ii) private real property equal to at least 1/2 the value of private real property within the area proposed for annexation.
- (d) A property owner consenting to annexation shall indicate the property owner's consent on a form which includes language in substantially the following form:

"Notice: If this written consent is used to proceed with an annexation of your property in accordance with Utah Code Section 10-2-418, no public election is required by law to approve the annexation. If you sign this consent and later decide you do not want to support the annexation of your property, you may withdraw your signature by submitting a signed, written withdrawal with the recorder or clerk of [name of annexing municipality]. If you choose to withdraw your signature, you must do so no later than the close of the public hearing on the annexation conducted in accordance with Utah Code Subsection 10-2-418(4)(d)."

(e) A private property owner may withdraw the property owner's signature indicating

consent by submitting a signed, written withdrawal with the recorder or clerk no later than the close of the public hearing held in accordance with Subsection (5)(b).

- (5) The legislative body of each municipality intending to annex an area under this section shall:
- (a) adopt a resolution indicating the municipal legislative body's intent to annex the area, describing the area proposed to be annexed; and
- (b) hold a public hearing on the proposed annexation no earlier than 30 days after the adoption of the resolution described in Subsection (5)(a).
- (6) A legislative body described in Subsection (5) shall [publish] provide notice of a public hearing described in Subsection (5)(b):
- (a) (i) at least three weeks before the day of the public hearing, by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population in the municipality and the area proposed for annexation, in places within the combined area that are most likely to give notice to the residents within, and the owners of real property located within, the combined area, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
- (ii) at least three weeks before the day of the public hearing, by mailing notice to each residence within, and each owner of real property located within, the combined area described in Subsection (6)(a)(i);
- (b) <u>by posting notice</u> on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 63A-16-601, for three weeks before the day of the public hearing;
  - (c) by sending written notice to:

803

804

805

806

807

808

809

810

811

812

813

814

815

816

817

818

819

820

821

822

823

824

825

826

827

828

829

- (i) the board of each local district and special service district whose boundaries contain some or all of the area proposed for annexation; and
- (ii) the legislative body of the county in which the area proposed for annexation is located; and
- (d) if the municipality has a website, <u>by posting notice</u> on the municipality's website for three weeks before the day of the public hearing.
  - (7) The legislative body of the annexing municipality shall ensure that:
- (a) each notice described in Subsection (6):
- (i) states that the municipal legislative body has adopted a resolution indicating the municipality's intent to annex the area proposed for annexation;

(ii) states the date, time, and place of the public hearing described in Subsection (5)(b);

(iii) describes the area proposed for annexation; and

- (iv) except for an annexation that meets the requirements of Subsection (8)(b) or (c), states in conspicuous and plain terms that the municipal legislative body will annex the area unless, at or before the public hearing described in Subsection (5)(b), written protests to the annexation are filed by the owners of private real property that:
  - (A) is located within the area proposed for annexation;
- (B) covers a majority of the total private land area within the entire area proposed for annexation; and
- (C) is equal in value to at least 1/2 the value of all private real property within the entire area proposed for annexation; and
- (b) the first publication of the notice described in Subsection (6)(a) occurs within 14 days after the day on which the municipal legislative body adopts a resolution under Subsection (5)(a).
- (8) (a) Except as provided in Subsections (8)(b)(i) and (8)(c)(i), upon conclusion of the public hearing described in Subsection (5)(b), the municipal legislative body may adopt an ordinance approving the annexation of the area proposed for annexation under this section unless, at or before the hearing, written protests to the annexation have been filed with the recorder or clerk of the municipality by the owners of private real property that:
  - (i) is located within the area proposed for annexation;
- (ii) covers a majority of the total private land area within the entire area proposed for annexation; and
- (iii) is equal in value to at least 1/2 the value of all private real property within the entire area proposed for annexation.
- (b) (i) Notwithstanding Subsection (8)(a), upon conclusion of the public hearing described in Subsection (5)(b), a municipality may adopt an ordinance approving the annexation of the area proposed for annexation under this section without allowing or considering protests under Subsection (8)(a) if the owners of at least 75% of the total private land area within the entire area proposed for annexation, representing at least 75% of the value of the private real property within the entire area proposed for annexation, have consented in writing to the annexation.

05-17-21 7:42 PM S.B. 1007

(ii) Upon the effective date under Section 10-2-425 of an annexation approved by an ordinance adopted under Subsection (8)(b)(i), the area annexed is conclusively presumed to be validly annexed.

- (c) (i) Notwithstanding Subsection (8)(a), upon conclusion of the public hearing described in Subsection (5)(b), a municipality may adopt an ordinance approving the annexation of an area that the county legislative body proposes for annexation under this section without allowing or considering protests under Subsection (8)(a) if the county legislative body has formally recommended annexation to the annexing municipality and has made a formal finding that:
- (A) the area to be annexed can be more efficiently served by the municipality than by the county;
- (B) the area to be annexed is not likely to be naturally annexed by the municipality in the future as the result of urban development;
- (C) annexation of the area is likely to facilitate the consolidation of overlapping functions of local government; and
- (D) annexation of the area is likely to result in an equitable distribution of community resources and obligations.
- (ii) The county legislative body may base the finding required in Subsection (8)(c)(i)(B) on:
  - (A) existing development in the area;

- (B) natural or other conditions that may limit the future development of the area; or
- (C) other factors that the county legislative body considers relevant.
- (iii) A county legislative body may make the recommendation for annexation required in Subsection (8)(c)(i) for only a portion of an unincorporated island if, as a result of information provided at the public hearing, the county legislative body makes a formal finding that it would be equitable to leave a portion of the island unincorporated.
- (iv) If a county legislative body has made a recommendation of annexation under Subsection (8)(c)(i):
- (A) the relevant municipality is not required to proceed with the recommended annexation; and
  - (B) if the relevant municipality proceeds with annexation, the municipality shall annex

the entire area that the county legislative body recommended for annexation.

- (v) Upon the effective date under Section 10-2-425 of an annexation approved by an ordinance adopted under Subsection (8)(c)(i), the area annexed is conclusively presumed to be validly annexed.
- (9) (a) Except as provided in Subsections (8)(b)(i) and (8)(c)(i), if protests are timely filed under Subsection (8)(a), the municipal legislative body may not adopt an ordinance approving the annexation of the area proposed for annexation, and the annexation proceedings under this section shall be considered terminated.
- (b) Subsection (9)(a) does not prohibit the municipal legislative body from excluding from a proposed annexation under Subsection (2)(b) the property within an unincorporated island regarding which protests have been filed and proceeding under Subsection (3) to annex some or all of the remaining portion of the unincorporated island.

Section 9. Section 10-2-419 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:

## 10-2-419 (Superseded 07/01/21). Boundary adjustment -- Notice and hearing -- Protest.

- (1) The legislative bodies of two or more municipalities having common boundaries may adjust their common boundaries as provided in this section.
- (2) The legislative body of each municipality intending to adjust a boundary that is common with another municipality shall:
- (a) adopt a resolution indicating the intent of the municipal legislative body to adjust a common boundary; and
- (b) hold a public hearing on the proposed adjustment no less than 60 days after the adoption of the resolution under Subsection (2)(a).
- (3) A legislative body described in Subsection (2) shall [publish] provide notice of a public hearing described in Subsection (2)(b):
- (a) (i) at least three weeks before the day of the public hearing, by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the municipality, in places within the municipality that are most likely to give notice to residents of the municipality, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
- (ii) at least three weeks before the day of the public hearing, by mailing notice to each residence in the municipality;

05-17-21 7:42 PM S.B. 1007

927	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
928	63A-12-201, for three weeks before the day of the public hearing;
929	(c) if the proposed boundary adjustment may cause any part of real property owned by
930	the state to be within the geographic boundary of a different local governmental entity than
931	before the adjustment, by providing written notice, at least 50 days before the day of the public
932	hearing, to:
933	(i) the title holder of any state-owned real property described in this Subsection (3)(d);
934	and
935	(ii) the Utah State Developmental Center Board, created under Section [62A-5-202.2]
936	62A-5-202.5, if any state-owned real property described in this Subsection (3)(d) is associated
937	with the Utah State Developmental Center; and
938	(d) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website for
939	three weeks before the day of the public hearing.
940	(4) The notice described in Subsection (3) shall:
941	(a) state that the municipal legislative body has adopted a resolution indicating the
942	municipal legislative body's intent to adjust a boundary that the municipality has in common
943	with another municipality;
944	(b) describe the area proposed to be adjusted;
945	(c) state the date, time, and place of the public hearing described in Subsection (2)(b);
946	(d) state in conspicuous and plain terms that the municipal legislative body will adjust
947	the boundaries unless, at or before the public hearing described in Subsection (2)(b), a written
948	protest to the adjustment is filed by:
949	(i) an owner of private real property that:
950	(A) is located within the area proposed for adjustment;
951	(B) covers at least 25% of the total private land area within the area proposed for
952	adjustment; and
953	(C) is equal in value to at least 15% of the value of all private real property within the
954	area proposed for adjustment; or

(ii) a title holder of state-owned real property described in Subsection (3)(d);

boundary adjustment, be automatically annexed to a local district providing fire protection,

(e) state that the area that is the subject of the boundary adjustment will, because of the

955

956

paramedic, and emergency services or a local district providing law enforcement service, as the case may be, as provided in Section 17B-1-416, if:

(i) the municipality to which the area is being added because of the boundary adjustment is entirely within the boundaries of a local district:

- (A) that provides fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services or law enforcement service, respectively; and
- (B) in the creation of which an election was not required because of Subsection 17B-1-214(3)(c); and
- (ii) the municipality from which the area is being taken because of the boundary adjustment is not within the boundaries of the local district; and
- (f) state that the area proposed for annexation to the municipality will be automatically withdrawn from a local district providing fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services, as provided in Subsection 17B-1-502(2), if:
- (i) the municipality to which the area is being added because of the boundary adjustment is not within the boundaries of a local district:
  - (A) that provides fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services; and
- (B) in the creation of which an election was not required because of Subsection 17B-1-214(3)(c); and
- (ii) the municipality from which the area is being taken because of the boundary adjustment is entirely within the boundaries of the local district.
- (5) Upon conclusion of the public hearing described in Subsection (2)(b), the municipal legislative body may adopt an ordinance approving the adjustment of the common boundary unless, at or before the hearing described in Subsection (2)(b), a written protest to the adjustment is filed with the city recorder or town clerk by a person described in Subsection (3)(d)(i) or (ii).
- (6) The municipal legislative body shall comply with the requirements of Section 10-2-425 as if the boundary adjustment were an annexation.
- (7) (a) An ordinance adopted under Subsection (5) becomes effective when each municipality involved in the boundary adjustment has adopted an ordinance under Subsection (5).
  - (b) The effective date of a boundary adjustment under this section is governed by

1019

989	Section 10-2-425.
990	Section 10. Section 10-2-419 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:
991	10-2-419 (Effective 07/01/21). Boundary adjustment Notice and hearing
992	Protest.
993	(1) The legislative bodies of two or more municipalities having common boundaries
994	may adjust their common boundaries as provided in this section.
995	(2) The legislative body of each municipality intending to adjust a boundary that is
996	common with another municipality shall:
997	(a) adopt a resolution indicating the intent of the municipal legislative body to adjust a
998	common boundary; and
999	(b) hold a public hearing on the proposed adjustment no less than 60 days after the
1000	adoption of the resolution under Subsection (2)(a).
1001	(3) A legislative body described in Subsection (2) shall [publish] provide notice of a
1002	public hearing described in Subsection (2)(b):
1003	(a) (i) at least three weeks before the day of the public hearing, by posting one notice,
1004	and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the municipality, in places within the
1005	municipality that are most likely to give notice to residents of the municipality, subject to a
1006	maximum of 10 notices; or
1007	(ii) at least three weeks before the day of the public hearing, by mailing notice to each
1008	residence in the municipality;
1009	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
1010	63A-16-601, for three weeks before the day of the public hearing;
1011	(c) if the proposed boundary adjustment may cause any part of real property owned by
1012	the state to be within the geographic boundary of a different local governmental entity than
1013	before the adjustment, by providing written notice, at least 50 days before the day of the public
1014	hearing, to:
1015	(i) the title holder of any state-owned real property described in this Subsection (3)(d);
1016	and
1017	(ii) the Utah State Developmental Center Board, created under Section [62A-5-202.2]
1018	62A-5-202.5, if any state-owned real property described in this Subsection (3)(d) is associated

with the Utah State Developmental Center; and

1020 (d) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website for 1021 three weeks before the day of the public hearing. 1022 (4) The notice described in Subsection (3) shall: 1023 (a) state that the municipal legislative body has adopted a resolution indicating the 1024 municipal legislative body's intent to adjust a boundary that the municipality has in common 1025 with another municipality; 1026 (b) describe the area proposed to be adjusted; 1027 (c) state the date, time, and place of the public hearing described in Subsection (2)(b): 1028 (d) state in conspicuous and plain terms that the municipal legislative body will adjust 1029 the boundaries unless, at or before the public hearing described in Subsection (2)(b), a written 1030 protest to the adjustment is filed by: 1031 (i) an owner of private real property that: 1032 (A) is located within the area proposed for adjustment; 1033 (B) covers at least 25% of the total private land area within the area proposed for 1034 adjustment; and 1035 (C) is equal in value to at least 15% of the value of all private real property within the 1036 area proposed for adjustment; or 1037 (ii) a title holder of state-owned real property described in Subsection (3)(d): 1038 (e) state that the area that is the subject of the boundary adjustment will, because of the 1039 boundary adjustment, be automatically annexed to a local district providing fire protection, 1040 paramedic, and emergency services or a local district providing law enforcement service, as the 1041 case may be, as provided in Section 17B-1-416, if: 1042 (i) the municipality to which the area is being added because of the boundary 1043 adjustment is entirely within the boundaries of a local district: 1044 (A) that provides fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services or law 1045 enforcement service, respectively; and 1046 (B) in the creation of which an election was not required because of Subsection

1047

1048

1049

1050

17B-1-214(3)(c); and

(ii) the municipality from which the area is being taken because of the boundary

(f) state that the area proposed for annexation to the municipality will be automatically

adjustment is not within the boundaries of the local district; and

withdrawn from a local district providing fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services, as provided in Subsection 17B-1-502(2), if:

(i) the municipality to which the area is being added because of the boundary adjustment is not within the boundaries of a local district:

1053

1054

1055

1056

1057

1058

1059

1060

1061

1062

1063

1064

1065

1066 1067

1068

1069

1070

1071

1072

1073

1074

1075

1076

1077

- (A) that provides fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services; and
- (B) in the creation of which an election was not required because of Subsection 17B-1-214(3)(c); and
  - (ii) the municipality from which the area is being taken because of the boundary adjustment is entirely within the boundaries of the local district.
  - (5) Upon conclusion of the public hearing described in Subsection (2)(b), the municipal legislative body may adopt an ordinance approving the adjustment of the common boundary unless, at or before the hearing described in Subsection (2)(b), a written protest to the adjustment is filed with the city recorder or town clerk by a person described in Subsection (3)(d)(i) or (ii).
  - (6) The municipal legislative body shall comply with the requirements of Section 10-2-425 as if the boundary adjustment were an annexation.
  - (7) (a) An ordinance adopted under Subsection (5) becomes effective when each municipality involved in the boundary adjustment has adopted an ordinance under Subsection (5).
  - (b) The effective date of a boundary adjustment under this section is governed by Section 10-2-425.
    - Section 11. Section 10-2-502.5 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
  - 10-2-502.5 (Superseded 07/01/21). Hearing on request for disconnection -- Determination by municipal legislative body -- Petition in district court.
  - (1) No sooner than three weeks after notice is provided under Subsection 10-2-501(3), the legislative body of the municipality in which the area proposed for disconnection is located shall hold a public hearing.
    - (2) The municipal legislative body shall provide notice of the public hearing:
- 1079 (a) at least seven days before the hearing date, in writing to the petitioner and to the legislative body of the county in which the area proposed for disconnection is located;
- (b) (i) at least seven days before the hearing date, by posting one notice, and at least

1082	one additional notice per 2,000 population of the municipality, in places within the
1083	municipality that are most likely to give notice to residents within, and the owners of real
1084	property located within, the municipality, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
1085	(ii) at least 10 days before the hearing date, by mailing notice to each residence within,
1086	and each owner of real property located within, the municipality;
1087	(c) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
1088	63A-12-201, for seven days before the hearing date; and
1089	(d) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website for
1090	seven days before the hearing date.
1091	(3) In the public hearing, any person may speak and submit documents regarding the
1092	disconnection proposal.
1093	(4) Within 45 calendar days of the hearing, the municipal legislative body shall:
1094	(a) determine whether to grant the request for disconnection; and
1095	(b) if the municipality determines to grant the request, adopt an ordinance approving
1096	disconnection of the area from the municipality.
1097	(5) (a) A petition against the municipality challenging the municipal legislative body's
1098	determination under Subsection (4) may be filed in district court by:
1099	(i) the petitioner; or
1100	(ii) the county in which the area proposed for disconnection is located.
1101	(b) Each petition under Subsection (5)(a) shall include a copy of the request for
1102	disconnection.
1103	Section 12. Section 10-2-502.5 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:
1104	10-2-502.5 (Effective 07/01/21). Hearing on request for disconnection
1105	Determination by municipal legislative body Petition in district court.
1106	(1) No sooner than three weeks after notice is provided under Subsection 10-2-501(3),
1107	the legislative body of the municipality in which the area proposed for disconnection is located
1108	shall hold a public hearing.
1109	(2) The municipal legislative body shall provide notice of the public hearing:
1110	(a) at least seven days before the hearing date, in writing to the petitioner and to the

- 36 -

(b) (i) at least seven days before the hearing date, by posting one notice, and at least

legislative body of the county in which the area proposed for disconnection is located;

1111

1113	one additional notice per 2,000 population of the municipality, in places within the
1114	municipality that are most likely to give notice to residents within, and the owners of real
1115	property located within, the municipality, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
1116	(ii) at least 10 days before the hearing date, by mailing notice to each residence within,
1117	and each owner of real property located within, the municipality;
1118	(c) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
1119	63A-16-601, for seven days before the hearing date; and
1120	(d) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website for
1121	seven days before the hearing date.
1122	(3) In the public hearing, any person may speak and submit documents regarding the
1123	disconnection proposal.
1124	(4) Within 45 calendar days of the hearing, the municipal legislative body shall:
1125	(a) determine whether to grant the request for disconnection; and
1126	(b) if the municipality determines to grant the request, adopt an ordinance approving
1127	disconnection of the area from the municipality.
1128	(5) (a) A petition against the municipality challenging the municipal legislative body's
1129	determination under Subsection (4) may be filed in district court by:
1130	(i) the petitioner; or
1131	(ii) the county in which the area proposed for disconnection is located.
1132	(b) Each petition under Subsection (5)(a) shall include a copy of the request for
1133	disconnection.
1134	Section 13. Section 10-2-703 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
1135	10-2-703 (Superseded 07/01/21). Publication of notice of election.
1136	(1) Immediately after setting the date for the election, the court shall order for
1137	[publication] notice to be provided of the:
1138	(a) petition; and
1139	(b) date the election is to be held to determine the question of dissolution.
1140	(2) The notice described in Subsection (1) shall be [published] provided:
1141	(a) (i) at least four weeks before the day of the election, by posting one notice, and at
1142	least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the municipality, in places within the
1143	municipality that are most likely to give notice to the voters in the municipality, subject to a

1144	maximum of 10 notices; or
1145	(ii) at least one month before the day of the election, by mailing notice to each
1146	registered voter in the municipality;
1147	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
1148	63A-12-201, for four weeks before the day of the election; and
1149	(c) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website for
1150	four weeks before the day of the election.
1151	Section 14. Section 10-2-703 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:
1152	10-2-703 (Effective 07/01/21). Publication of notice of election.
1153	(1) Immediately after setting the date for the election, the court shall order for
1154	[publication] notice to be provided of the:
1155	(a) petition; and
1156	(b) date the election is to be held to determine the question of dissolution.
1157	(2) The notice described in Subsection (1) shall be [published] provided:
1158	(a) (i) at least four weeks before the day of the election, by posting one notice, and at
1159	least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the municipality, in places within the
1160	municipality that are most likely to give notice to the voters in the municipality, subject to a
1161	maximum of 10 notices; or
1162	(ii) at least one month before the day of the election, by mailing notice to each
1163	registered voter in the municipality;
1164	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
1165	63A-16-601, for four weeks before the day of the election; and
1166	(c) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website for
1167	four weeks before the day of the election.
1168	Section 15. Section 10-2-708 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
1169	10-2-708 (Superseded 07/01/21). Notice of disincorporation Publication and
1170	filing.
1171	When a municipality has been dissolved, the clerk of the court shall [publish] provide
1172	notice of the dissolution:
1173	(1) (a) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of
1174	the county in places within the county that are most likely to give notice to the residents within,

1175	and the owners of real property located within, the county, including the residents and owners
1176	within the municipality that is dissolved, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
1177	(b) by mailing notice to each residence within, and each owner of real property located
1178	within, the county;
1179	(2) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
1180	63A-12-201, for four weeks;
1181	(3) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website for
1182	four weeks; and
1183	(4) by posting notice on the county's website for four weeks.
1184	Section 16. Section 10-2-708 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:
1185	10-2-708 (Effective 07/01/21). Notice of disincorporation Publication and filing.
1186	When a municipality has been dissolved, the clerk of the court shall [publish] provide
1187	notice of the dissolution:
1188	(1) (a) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of
1189	the county in places within the county that are most likely to give notice to the residents within,
1190	and the owners of real property located within, the county, including the residents and owners
1191	within the municipality that is dissolved, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
1192	(b) by mailing notice to each residence within, and each owner of real property located
1193	within, the county;
1194	(2) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
1195	63A-16-601, for four weeks;
1196	(3) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website for
1197	four weeks; and
1198	(4) by posting notice on the county's website for four weeks.
1199	Section 17. Section 10-2a-210 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
1200	10-2a-210 (Superseded 07/01/21). Incorporation election Notice of election
1201	Voter information pamphlet.
1202	(1) (a) If the lieutenant governor certifies a petition under Subsection 10-2a-209(1)(b),
1203	the lieutenant governor shall schedule an incorporation election for the proposed municipality
1204	described in the petition to be held on the date of the next regular general election described in
1205	Section 20A-1-201, or the next municipal general election described in Section 20A-1-202, that

1206	is at least 65 days after the day on which the lieutenant governor certifies the petition.
1207	(b) (i) The lieutenant governor shall direct the county legislative body of the county in
1208	which the proposed municipality is located to hold the election on the date that the lieutenant
1209	governor schedules under Subsection (1)(a).
1210	(ii) The county shall hold the election as directed by the lieutenant governor under
1211	Subsection (1)(b)(i).
1212	(2) The county clerk shall [publish] provide notice of the election:
1213	(a) (i) by publishing notice in a newspaper of general circulation within the area
1214	proposed to be incorporated at least once a week for three successive weeks before the election;
1215	[(a) (i)] (ii) at least three weeks before the day of the election, by posting one notice,
1216	and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the area proposed to be incorporated,
1217	in places within the area proposed to be incorporated that are most likely to give notice to the
1218	voters within the area proposed to be incorporated, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
1219	[(iii)] (iii) at least three weeks before the day of the election, by mailing notice to each
1220	registered voter in the area proposed to be incorporated;
1221	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
1222	63A-12-201, for three weeks before the day of the election;
1223	(c) if the proposed municipality has a website, by posting notice on the proposed
1224	municipality's website for three weeks before the day of the election; and
1225	(d) by posting notice on the county's website for three weeks before the day of the
1226	election.
1227	(3) (a) The notice required by Subsection (2) shall contain:
1228	(i) a statement of the contents of the petition;
1229	(ii) a description of the area proposed to be incorporated as a municipality;
1230	(iii) a statement of the date and time of the election and the location of polling places;
1231	and
1232	(iv) except as provided in Subsection (3)(b), the feasibility study summary described in
1233	Subsection 10-2a-205(3)(c) and a statement that a full copy of the study is available on the
1234	lieutenant governor's website and for inspection at the Office of the Lieutenant Governor.

(b) Instead of [publishing] including the feasibility summary under Subsection

(3)(a)(iv), the notice may include a statement that specifies the following sources where a

1237	registered voter in the area proposed to be incorporated may view or obtain a copy of the
1238	feasibility study:
1239	(i) the lieutenant governor's website;
1240	(ii) the physical address of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor; and
1241	(iii) a mailing address and telephone number.
1242	(4) (a) In addition to the notice required under Subsection (2), the county clerk shall
1243	publish and distribute, before the incorporation election is held, a voter information pamphlet:
1244	(i) in accordance with the procedures and requirements of Section 20A-7-402;
1245	(ii) in consultation with the lieutenant governor; and
1246	(iii) in a manner that the county clerk determines is adequate, subject to Subsections
1247	(4)(a)(i) and (ii).
1248	(b) The voter information pamphlet described in Subsection (4)(a):
1249	(i) shall inform the public of the proposed incorporation; and
1250	(ii) may include written statements, printed in the same font style and point size, from
1251	proponents and opponents of the proposed incorporation.
1252	(5) An individual may not vote in an incorporation election under this section unless
1253	the individual is a registered voter who resides, as defined in Section 20A-1-102, within the
1254	boundaries of the proposed municipality.
1255	(6) If a majority of those who vote in an incorporation election held under this section
1256	cast votes in favor of incorporation, the area shall incorporate.
1257	Section 18. Section 10-2a-210 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:
1258	10-2a-210 (Effective 07/01/21). Incorporation election Notice of election
1259	Voter information pamphlet.
1260	(1) (a) If the lieutenant governor certifies a petition under Subsection 10-2a-209(1)(b),
1261	the lieutenant governor shall schedule an incorporation election for the proposed municipality
1262	described in the petition to be held on the date of the next regular general election described in
1263	Section 20A-1-201, or the next municipal general election described in Section 20A-1-202, that
1264	is at least 65 days after the day on which the lieutenant governor certifies the petition.
1265	(b) (i) The lieutenant governor shall direct the county legislative body of the county in
1266	which the proposed municipality is located to hold the election on the date that the lieutenant
1267	governor schedules under Subsection (1)(a).

1268	(ii) The county shall hold the election as directed by the lieutenant governor under
1269	Subsection (1)(b)(i).
1270	(2) The county clerk shall [publish] provide notice of the election:
1271	(a) (i) by publishing notice in a newspaper of general circulation within the area
1272	proposed to be incorporated at least once a week for three successive weeks before the election
1273	[(a) (i)] (ii) at least three weeks before the day of the election, by posting one notice,
1274	and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the area proposed to be incorporated,
1275	in places within the area proposed to be incorporated that are most likely to give notice to the
1276	voters within the area proposed to be incorporated, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
1277	[(ii)] (iii) at least three weeks before the day of the election, by mailing notice to each
1278	registered voter in the area proposed to be incorporated;
1279	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
1280	63A-16-601, for three weeks before the day of the election;
1281	(c) if the proposed municipality has a website, by posting notice on the proposed
1282	municipality's website for three weeks before the day of the election; and
1283	(d) by posting notice on the county's website for three weeks before the day of the
1284	election.
1285	(3) (a) The notice required by Subsection (2) shall contain:
1286	(i) a statement of the contents of the petition;
1287	(ii) a description of the area proposed to be incorporated as a municipality;
1288	(iii) a statement of the date and time of the election and the location of polling places;
1289	and
1290	(iv) except as provided in Subsection (3)(b), the feasibility study summary described in
1291	Subsection 10-2a-205(3)(c) and a statement that a full copy of the study is available on the
1292	lieutenant governor's website and for inspection at the Office of the Lieutenant Governor.
1293	(b) Instead of [publishing] including the feasibility summary under Subsection
1294	(3)(a)(iv), the notice may include a statement that specifies the following sources where a
1295	registered voter in area proposed to be incorporated may view or obtain a copy the feasibility
1296	study:
1297	(i) the lieutenant governor's website;
1298	(ii) the physical address of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor; and

1299	(iii) a mailing address and telephone number.
1300	(4) (a) In addition to the notice required under Subsection (2), the county clerk shall
1301	publish and distribute, before the incorporation election is held, a voter information pamphlet:
1302	(i) in accordance with the procedures and requirements of Section 20A-7-402;
1303	(ii) in consultation with the lieutenant governor; and
1304	(iii) in a manner that the county clerk determines is adequate, subject to Subsections
1305	(4)(a)(i) and (ii).
1306	(b) The voter information pamphlet described in Subsection (4)(a):
1307	(i) shall inform the public of the proposed incorporation; and
1308	(ii) may include written statements, printed in the same font style and point size, from
1309	proponents and opponents of the proposed incorporation.
1310	(5) An individual may not vote in an incorporation election under this section unless
1311	the individual is a registered voter who resides, as defined in Section 20A-1-102, within the
1312	boundaries of the proposed municipality.
1313	(6) If a majority of those who vote in an incorporation election held under this section
1314	cast votes in favor of incorporation, the area shall incorporate.
1315	Section 19. Section 10-2a-213 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
1316	10-2a-213 (Superseded 07/01/21). Determination of number of council members -
1317	Determination of election districts Hearings and notice.
1318	(1) If the incorporation proposal passes, the petition sponsors shall, within 60 days
1319	after the day on which the county conducts the canvass of the election under Section
1320	10-2a-212:
1321	(a) for the incorporation of a city:
1322	(i) if the voters at the incorporation election choose the council-mayor form of
1323	government, determine the number of council members that will constitute the city council of
1324	the city; and
1325	(ii) if the voters at the incorporation election vote to elect council members by district,
1326	determine the number of council members to be elected by district and draw the boundaries of
1327	those districts, which shall be substantially equal in population; and
1328	(b) for the incorporation of any municipality:
1329	(i) determine the initial terms of the mayor and members of the municipal council so

1330 that:

(A) the mayor and approximately half the members of the municipal council are elected to serve an initial term, of no less than one year, that allows the mayor's and members' successors to serve a full four-year term that coincides with the schedule established in Subsection 10-3-205(1); and

- (B) the remaining members of the municipal council are elected to serve an initial term, of no less than one year, that allows the members' successors to serve a full four-year term that coincides with the schedule established in Subsection 10-3-205(2); and
- (ii) submit in writing to the county legislative body the results of the determinations made by the sponsors under Subsections (1)(a) and (b)(i).
- (2) A newly incorporated town shall operate under the five-member council form of government as defined in Section 10-3b-102.
- (3) Before making a determination under Subsection (1)(a) or (b)(i), the petition sponsors shall hold a public hearing within the future municipality on the applicable issues described in Subsections (1)(a) and (b)(i).
- (4) The petition sponsors shall [publish] provide notice of the public hearing described in Subsection (3):
- (a) (i) at least two weeks before the day of the public hearing, by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the future municipality, in places within the future municipality that are most likely to give notice to the residents within, and the owners of real property located within, the future municipality, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
- (ii) at least two weeks before the day of the public hearing, by mailing notice to each residence within, and each owner of real property located within, the future municipality;
- (b) <u>by posting notice</u> on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 63A-12-201, for two weeks before the day of the public hearing;
- (c) if the future municipality has a website, <u>by posting notice on the future</u> <u>municipality's website</u> for two weeks before the day of the public hearing; and
- (d) <u>by posting notice</u> on the county's website for two weeks before the day of the public hearing.
  - Section 20. Section 10-2a-213 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:

1391

in Subsection (3):

1361	10-2a-213 (Effective 07/01/21). Determination of number of council members
1362	Determination of election districts Hearings and notice.
1363	(1) If the incorporation proposal passes, the petition sponsors shall, within 60 days
1364	after the day on which the county conducts the canvass of the election under Section
1365	10-2a-212:
1366	(a) for the incorporation of a city:
1367	(i) if the voters at the incorporation election choose the council-mayor form of
1368	government, determine the number of council members that will constitute the city council of
1369	the city; and
1370	(ii) if the voters at the incorporation election vote to elect council members by district,
1371	determine the number of council members to be elected by district and draw the boundaries of
1372	those districts, which shall be substantially equal in population; and
1373	(b) for the incorporation of any municipality:
1374	(i) determine the initial terms of the mayor and members of the municipal council so
1375	that:
1376	(A) the mayor and approximately half the members of the municipal council are
1377	elected to serve an initial term, of no less than one year, that allows the mayor's and members'
1378	successors to serve a full four-year term that coincides with the schedule established in
1379	Subsection 10-3-205(1); and
1380	(B) the remaining members of the municipal council are elected to serve an initial
1381	term, of no less than one year, that allows the members' successors to serve a full four-year
1382	term that coincides with the schedule established in Subsection 10-3-205(2); and
1383	(ii) submit in writing to the county legislative body the results of the determinations
1384	made by the sponsors under Subsections (1)(a) and (b)(i).
1385	(2) A newly incorporated town shall operate under the five-member council form of
1386	government as defined in Section 10-3b-102.
1387	(3) Before making a determination under Subsection (1)(a) or (b)(i), the petition
1388	sponsors shall hold a public hearing within the future municipality on the applicable issues
1389	described in Subsections (1)(a) and (b)(i).
1390	(4) The petition sponsors shall [publish] provide notice of the public hearing described

1392	(a) (i) at least two weeks before the day of the public hearing, by posting one notice,
1393	and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the future municipality, in places
1394	within the future municipality that are most likely to give notice to the residents within, and the
1395	owners of real property located within, the future municipality, subject to a maximum of 10
1396	<u>notices</u> ; or
1397	(ii) at least two weeks before the day of the public hearing, by mailing notice to each
1398	residence within, and each owner of real property located within, the future municipality;
1399	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
1400	63A-16-601, for two weeks before the day of the public hearing;
1401	(c) if the future municipality has a website, by posting notice on the future
1402	municipality's website for two weeks before the day of the public hearing; and
1403	(d) by posting notice on the county's website for two weeks before the day of the public
1404	hearing.
1405	Section 21. Section 10-2a-214 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
1406	10-2a-214 (Superseded 07/01/21). Notice of number of commission or council
1407	members to be elected and of district boundaries Declaration of candidacy for
1408	municipal office.
1409	(1) Within 20 days after the day on which a county legislative body receives the
1410	petition sponsors' determination under Subsection 10-2a-213(1)(b)(ii), the county clerk shall
1411	[publish] provide a notice, in accordance with Subsection (2), [notice] containing:
1412	(a) the number of municipal council members to be elected for the new municipality;
1413	•
1414	(b) except as provided in Subsection (3), if some or all of the municipal council
1414	(b) except as provided in Subsection (3), if some or all of the municipal council members are to be elected by district, a description of the boundaries of those districts;
1414	
	members are to be elected by district, a description of the boundaries of those districts;
1415	members are to be elected by district, a description of the boundaries of those districts;  (c) information about the deadline for an individual to file a declaration of candidacy to
1415 1416	members are to be elected by district, a description of the boundaries of those districts;  (c) information about the deadline for an individual to file a declaration of candidacy to become a candidate for mayor or municipal council; and
1415 1416 1417	members are to be elected by district, a description of the boundaries of those districts;  (c) information about the deadline for an individual to file a declaration of candidacy to become a candidate for mayor or municipal council; and  (d) information about the length of the initial term of each of the municipal officers.
1415 1416 1417 1418	members are to be elected by district, a description of the boundaries of those districts;  (c) information about the deadline for an individual to file a declaration of candidacy to become a candidate for mayor or municipal council; and  (d) information about the length of the initial term of each of the municipal officers.  (2) The county clerk shall [publish] provide the notice described in Subsection (1):
1415 1416 1417 1418 1419	members are to be elected by district, a description of the boundaries of those districts;  (c) information about the deadline for an individual to file a declaration of candidacy to become a candidate for mayor or municipal council; and  (d) information about the length of the initial term of each of the municipal officers.  (2) The county clerk shall [publish] provide the notice described in Subsection (1):  (a) (i) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of

1423	(b) <u>by posting notice</u> on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
1424	63A-12-201, for two weeks;
1425	(c) if the future municipality has a website, by posting notice on the future
1426	municipality's website for two weeks; and
1427	(d) by posting notice on the county's website for two weeks.
1428	(3) Instead of [publishing] including a description of the district boundaries [described
1429	in] <u>under</u> Subsection (1)(b), the notice may include a statement that specifies the following
1430	sources where a resident of the future municipality may view or obtain a copy of the district
1431	boundaries:
1432	(a) the county website;
1433	(b) the physical address of the county offices; and
1434	(c) a mailing address and telephone number.
1435	(4) Notwithstanding Subsection 20A-9-203(3)(a), each individual seeking to become a
1436	candidate for mayor or municipal council of a municipality incorporating under this part shall
1437	file a declaration of candidacy with the clerk of the county in which the future municipality is
1438	located and in accordance with:
1439	(a) for an incorporation held on the date of a regular general election, the deadlines for
1440	filing a declaration of candidacy under Section 20A-9-202; or
1441	(b) for an incorporation held on the date of a municipal general election, the deadlines
1442	for filing a declaration of candidacy under Section 20A-9-203.
1443	Section 22. Section 10-2a-214 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:
1444	10-2a-214 (Effective 07/01/21). Notice of number of commission or council
1445	members to be elected and of district boundaries Declaration of candidacy for
1446	municipal office.
1447	(1) Within 20 days after the day on which a county legislative body receives the
1448	petition sponsors' determination under Subsection 10-2a-213(1)(b)(ii), the county clerk shall
1449	[publish] provide a notice, in accordance with Subsection (2), [notice] containing:
1450	(a) the number of municipal council members to be elected for the new municipality;
1451	(b) except as provided in Subsection (3), if some or all of the municipal council
1452	members are to be elected by district, a description of the boundaries of those districts;
1453	(c) information about the deadline for an individual to file a declaration of candidacy to

1454	become a candidate for mayor or municipal council; and
1455	(d) information about the length of the initial term of each of the municipal officers.
1456	(2) The county clerk shall [publish] provide the notice described in Subsection (1):
1457	(a) (i) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of
1458	the future municipality, in places within the future municipality that are most likely to give
1459	notice to the residents in the future municipality, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
1460	(ii) by mailing notice to each residence in the future municipality;
1461	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
1462	63A-16-601, for two weeks;
1463	(c) if the future municipality has a website, by posting notice on the future
1464	municipality's website for two weeks; and
1465	(d) by posting notice on the county's website for two weeks.
1466	(3) Instead of [publishing] including a description of the district boundaries [described
1467	in] under Subsection (1)(b), the notice may include a statement that specifies the following
1468	sources where a resident of the future municipality may view or obtain a copy of the district
1469	boundaries:
1470	(a) the county website;
1471	(b) the physical address of the county offices; and
1472	(c) a mailing address and telephone number.
1473	(4) Notwithstanding Subsection 20A-9-203(3)(a), each individual seeking to become a
1474	candidate for mayor or municipal council of a municipality incorporating under this part shall
1475	file a declaration of candidacy with the clerk of the county in which the future municipality is
1476	located and in accordance with:
1477	(a) for an incorporation held on the date of a regular general election, the deadlines for
1478	filing a declaration of candidacy under Section 20A-9-202; or
1479	(b) for an incorporation held on the date of a municipal general election, the deadlines
1480	for filing a declaration of candidacy under Section 20A-9-203.
1481	Section 23. Section 10-2a-215 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
1482	10-2a-215 (Superseded 07/01/21). Election of officers of new municipality
1483	Primary and final election dates County clerk duties Candidate duties Occupation
1484	of office.

	US-1/-21 /:42 FWI S.D. 100
1485	(1) For the election of municipal officers, the county legislative body shall:
1486	(a) unless a primary election is prohibited under Subsection 20A-9-404(2), hold a
1487	primary election; and
1488	(b) unless the election may be cancelled in accordance with Section 20A-1-206, hold a
1489	final election.
1490	(2) Each election described in Subsection (1) shall be held:
1491	(a) consistent with the petition sponsors' determination of the length of each council
1492	member's initial term; and
1493	(b) for the incorporation of a city:
1494	(i) appropriate to the form of government chosen by the voters at the incorporation
1495	election;
1496	(ii) consistent with the voters' decision about whether to elect city council members by
1497	district and, if applicable, consistent with the boundaries of those districts as determined by the
1498	petition sponsors; and
1499	(iii) consistent with the sponsors' determination of the number of city council members
1500	to be elected.
1501	(3) (a) Subject to Subsection (3)(b), and notwithstanding Subsection 20A-1-201.5(2),
1502	the primary election described in Subsection (1)(a) shall be held at the earliest of the next:
1503	(i) regular primary election described in Subsection 20A-1-201.5(1); or
1504	(ii) municipal primary election described in Section 20A-9-404.
1505	(b) The county shall hold the primary election, if necessary, on the next election date
1506	described in Subsection (3)(a) that is after the incorporation election conducted under Section
1507	10-2a-210.
1508	(4) (a) Subject to Subsection (4)(b), the county shall hold the final election described in
1509	Subsection (1)(b):
1510	(i) on the following election date that next follows the date of the incorporation

- election held under Subsection 10-2a-210(1)(a); (ii) a regular general election described in Section 20A-1-201; or
- 1513 (iii) a regular municipal general election under Section 20A-1-202.
- 1514 (b) The county shall hold the final election on the earliest of the next election date that 1515 is listed in Subsection (4)(a)(i), (ii), or (iii):

1516	(i) that is after a primary election; or
1517	(ii) if there is no primary election, that is at least:
1518	(A) 75 days after the incorporation election under Section 10-2a-210; and
1519	(B) 65 days after the candidate filing period.
1520	(5) The county clerk shall [publish] provide notice of an election under this section:
1521	(a) (i) at least two weeks before the day of the election, by posting one notice, and at
1522	least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the future municipality, in places within the
1523	future municipality that are most likely to give notice to the voters within the future
1524	municipality, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
1525	(ii) at least two weeks before the day of the election, by mailing notice to each
1526	registered voter within the future municipality;
1527	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
1528	63A-12-201, for two weeks before the day of the election;
1529	(c) if the future municipality has a website, by posting notice on the future
1530	municipality's website for two weeks before the day of the election; and
1531	(d) by posting notice on the county's website for two weeks before the day of the
1532	election.
1533	(6) Until the municipality is incorporated, the county clerk:
1534	(a) is the election officer for all purposes related to the election of municipal officers;
1535	(b) may, as necessary, determine appropriate deadlines, procedures, and instructions
1536	related to the election of municipal officers for a new municipality that are not otherwise
1537	contrary to law;
1538	(c) shall require and determine deadlines for municipal office candidates to file
1539	campaign financial disclosures in accordance with Section 10-3-208; and
1540	(d) shall ensure that the ballot for the election includes each office that is required to be
1541	included in the election for officers of the newly incorporated municipality, including the term
1542	of each office.
1543	(7) An individual who has filed as a candidate for an office described in this section
1544	shall comply with:
1545	(a) the campaign finance disclosure requirements described in Section 10-3-208; and
1546	(b) the requirements and deadlines established by the county clerk under this section.

1547	(8) Notwithstanding Section 10-3-201, the officers elected at a final election described
1548	in Subsection (4)(a) shall take office:
1549	(a) after taking the oath of office; and
1550	(b) at noon on the first Monday following the day on which the election official
1551	transmits a certificate of nomination or election under the officer's seal to each elected
1552	candidate in accordance with Subsection 20A-4-304(4)(b).
1553	Section 24. Section 10-2a-215 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:
1554	10-2a-215 (Effective 07/01/21). Election of officers of new municipality Primary
1555	and final election dates County clerk duties Candidate duties Occupation of office.
1556	(1) For the election of municipal officers, the county legislative body shall:
1557	(a) unless a primary election is prohibited under Subsection 20A-9-404(2), hold a
1558	primary election; and
1559	(b) unless the election may be cancelled in accordance with Section 20A-1-206, hold a
1560	final election.
1561	(2) Each election described in Subsection (1) shall be held:
1562	(a) consistent with the petition sponsors' determination of the length of each council
1563	member's initial term; and
1564	(b) for the incorporation of a city:
1565	(i) appropriate to the form of government chosen by the voters at the incorporation
1566	election;
1567	(ii) consistent with the voters' decision about whether to elect city council members by
1568	district and, if applicable, consistent with the boundaries of those districts as determined by the
1569	petition sponsors; and
1570	(iii) consistent with the sponsors' determination of the number of city council members
1571	to be elected.
1572	(3) (a) Subject to Subsection (3)(b), and notwithstanding Subsection 20A-1-201.5(2),
1573	the primary election described in Subsection (1)(a) shall be held at the earliest of the next:
1574	(i) regular primary election described in Subsection 20A-1-201.5(1); or
1575	(ii) municipal primary election described in Section 20A-9-404.
1576	(b) The county shall hold the primary election, if necessary, on the next election date
1577	described in Subsection (3)(a) that is after the incorporation election conducted under Section

1578	10-2a-210.
1579	(4) (a) Subject to Subsection (4)(b), the county shall hold the final election described in
1580	Subsection (1)(b):
1581	(i) on the following election date that next follows the date of the incorporation
1582	election held under Subsection 10-2a-210(1)(a);
1583	(ii) a regular general election described in Section 20A-1-201; or
1584	(iii) a regular municipal general election under Section 20A-1-202.
1585	(b) The county shall hold the final election on the earliest of the next election date that
1586	is listed in Subsection (4)(a)(i), (ii), or (iii):
1587	(i) that is after a primary election; or
1588	(ii) if there is no primary election, that is at least:
1589	(A) 75 days after the incorporation election under Section 10-2a-210; and
1590	(B) 65 days after the candidate filing period.
1591	(5) The county clerk shall [publish] provide notice of an election under this section:
1592	(a) (i) at least two weeks before the day of the election, by posting one notice, and at
1593	least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the future municipality, in places within the
1594	future municipality that are most likely to give notice to the voters within the future
1595	municipality, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
1596	(ii) at least two weeks before the day of the election, by mailing notice to each
1597	registered voter within the future municipality;
1598	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
1599	63A-16-601, for two weeks before the day of the election;
1600	(c) if the future municipality has a website, by posting notice on the future
1601	municipality's website for two weeks before the day of the election; and
1602	(d) by posting notice on the county's website for two weeks before the day of the
1603	election.
1604	(6) Until the municipality is incorporated, the county clerk:
1605	(a) is the election officer for all purposes related to the election of municipal officers;
1606	(b) may, as necessary, determine appropriate deadlines, procedures, and instructions
1607	related to the election of municipal officers for a new municipality that are not otherwise
1608	contrary to law;

1609 (c) shall require and determine deadlines for municipal office candidates to file 1610 campaign financial disclosures in accordance with Section 10-3-208; and 1611 (d) shall ensure that the ballot for the election includes each office that is required to be 1612 included in the election for officers of the newly incorporated municipality, including the term 1613 of each office. 1614 (7) An individual who has filed as a candidate for an office described in this section 1615 shall comply with: 1616 (a) the campaign finance disclosure requirements described in Section 10-3-208; and 1617 (b) the requirements and deadlines established by the county clerk under this section. (8) Notwithstanding Section 10-3-201, the officers elected at a final election described 1618 1619 in Subsection (4)(a) shall take office: 1620 (a) after taking the oath of office; and 1621 (b) at noon on the first Monday following the day on which the election official 1622 transmits a certificate of nomination or election under the officer's seal to each elected 1623 candidate in accordance with Subsection 20A-4-304(4)(b). 1624 Section 25. Section 10-2a-404 is amended to read: 10-2a-404. Election. 1625 1626 (1) (a) Notwithstanding Section 20A-1-203, a county of the first class shall hold a local 1627 special election on November 3, 2015, on the following ballot propositions: 1628 (i) for registered voters residing within a planning township: 1629 (A) whether the planning township shall be incorporated as a city or town, according to the classifications of Section 10-2-301, or as a metro township; and 1630 1631 (B) if the planning township incorporates as a metro township, whether the metro 1632 township is included in a municipal services district; and 1633 (ii) for registered voters residing within an unincorporated island, whether the island 1634 should maintain its unincorporated status or be annexed into an eligible city. 1635 (b) (i) A metro township incorporated under this part shall be governed by the five-member council in accordance with Chapter 3b, Part 5, Metro Township Council Form of 1636

council form of government as defined in Section 10-3b-102.

1637

1638

1639

Municipal Government.

(ii) A city or town incorporated under this part shall be governed by the five-member

1640 (2) Unless a person is a registered voter who resides, as defined in Section 20A-1-102, 1641 within the boundaries of a planning township or an unincorporated island, the person may not 1642 vote on the proposed incorporation or annexation. 1643 (3) The county clerk shall [publish] post notice of the election on the Utah Public 1644 Notice Website, created in Section [63F-1-701] 63A-12-201, for three weeks before the 1645 election. 1646 (4) The notice required by Subsection (3) shall contain: 1647 (a) for residents of a planning township: 1648 (i) a statement that the voters will vote: 1649 (A) to incorporate as a city or town, according to the classifications of Section 1650 10-2-301, or as a metro township; and 1651 (B) if the planning township incorporates as a metro township, whether the metro 1652 township is included in a municipal services district: 1653 (ii) if applicable under Subsection 10-2a-405(5), a map showing the alteration to the 1654 planning township boundaries that would be effective upon incorporation; 1655 (iii) a statement that if the residents of the planning township elect to incorporate: (A) as a metro township, the metro township shall be governed by a five-member 1656 1657 metro township council in accordance with Chapter 3b, Part 5, Metro Township Council Form 1658 of Municipal Government; or 1659 (B) as a city or town, the city or town shall be governed by the five-member council 1660 form of government as defined in Section 10-3b-102; and 1661 (iv) a statement of the date and time of the election and the location of polling places; 1662 (b) for residents of an unincorporated island: 1663 (i) a statement that the voters will vote either to be annexed into an eligible city or 1664 maintain unincorporated status; and 1665 (ii) a statement of the eligible city, as determined by the county legislative body in 1666 accordance with Section 10-2a-405, the unincorporated island may elect to be annexed by; and (c) a statement of the date and time of the election and the location of polling places.

1667 (c) a statement of the date and time of the election and the loc 1668 (5) (a) In addition to the notice required under Subsection (3),

1669

1670

(5) (a) In addition to the notice required under Subsection (3), the county clerk shall post at least one notice of the election per 1,000 population in conspicuous places within the planning township or unincorporated island that are most likely to give notice of the election to

the voters of the proposed incorporation or annexation, subject to a maximum of 10 notices.

1672

1673

1674

1675

1676

1677

1678

1679

1680

1681

1682

1683

1684

1685

1686

1687 1688

1689

1690

1691

1692

1693

1694

1695

1696

1697

1698

- (b) The clerk shall post the notices under Subsection (5)(a) at least seven days before the election under Subsection (1).
- (6) (a) In a planning township, if a majority of those casting votes within the planning township vote to:
- (i) incorporate as a city or town, the planning township shall incorporate as a city or town, respectively; or
- (ii) incorporate as a metro township, the planning township shall incorporate as a metro township.
- (b) If a majority of those casting votes within the planning township vote to incorporate as a metro township, and a majority of those casting votes vote to include the metro township in a municipal services district and limit the metro township's municipal powers, the metro township shall be included in a municipal services district and have limited municipal powers.
- (c) In an unincorporated island, if a majority of those casting a vote within the selected unincorporated island vote to:
  - (i) be annexed by the eligible city, the area shall be annexed by the eligible city; or
  - (ii) remain an unincorporated area, the area shall remain unincorporated.
- (7) The county shall, in consultation with interested parties, prepare and provide information on an annexation or incorporation subject to this part and an election held in accordance with this section.
  - Section 26. Section 10-2a-405 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
- 10-2a-405 (Superseded 07/01/21). Duties of county legislative body -- Public hearing -- Notice -- Other election and incorporation issues -- Rural real property excluded.
- (1) The legislative body of a county of the first class shall before an election described in Section 10-2a-404:
- (a) in accordance with Subsection (3), [publish] provide notice of the public hearing described in Subsection (1)(b);
  - (b) hold a public hearing; and
- (c) at the public hearing, adopt a resolution:
- (i) identifying, including a map prepared by the county surveyor, all unincorporated

islands within the county;

(ii) identifying each eligible city that will annex each unincorporated island, including whether the unincorporated island may be annexed by one eligible city or divided and annexed by multiple eligible cities, if approved by the residents at an election under Section 10-2a-404; and

- (iii) identifying, including a map prepared by the county surveyor, the planning townships within the county and any changes to the boundaries of a planning township that the county legislative body proposes under Subsection (5).
- (2) The county legislative body shall exclude from a resolution adopted under Subsection (1)(c) rural real property unless the owner of the rural real property provides written consent to include the property in accordance with Subsection (7).
- (3) (a) The county clerk shall [publish] provide notice of the public hearing described in Subsection (1)(b):
- (i) by mailing notice to each owner of real property located in an unincorporated island or planning township no later than 15 days before the day of the public hearing;
- (ii) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 63A-12-201, for three weeks before the day of the public hearing; and
- (iii) by posting at least one notice of the hearing per 1,000 population in conspicuous places within the selected unincorporated island, eligible city, or planning township, as applicable, that are most likely to give notice of the hearing to the residents of the unincorporated island, eligible city, or planning township, subject to a maximum of 10 notices.
- (b) The clerk shall post the notices under Subsection (3)(a)(iii) at least seven days before the hearing under Subsection (1)(b).
  - (c) The notice under Subsection (3)(a) shall include:
- (i) (A) for a resident of an unincorporated island, a statement that the property in the unincorporated island may be, if approved at an election under Section 10-2a-404, annexed by an eligible city, including divided and annexed by multiple cities if applicable, and the name of the eligible city or cities; or
- (B) for residents of a planning township, a statement that the property in the planning township shall be, pending the results of the election held under Section 10-2a-404, incorporated as a city, town, or metro township;

(ii) the location and time of the public hearing; and

1737

1738

1739

1740

17411742

1743

1744

1745

1746

1747

1748

1749

1750

1751

1752

1753

17541755

1756

1757

1758

1759

1760

1761

- (iii) the county website where a map may be accessed showing:
- 1735 (A) how the unincorporated island boundaries will change if annexed by an eligible city; or
  - (B) how the planning township area boundaries will change, if applicable under Subsection (5), when the planning township incorporates as a metro township or as a city or town.
  - (d) The county clerk shall publish a map described in Subsection (3)(c)(iii) on the county website.
  - (4) The county legislative body may, by ordinance or resolution adopted at a public meeting and in accordance with applicable law, resolve an issue that arises with an election held in accordance with this part or the incorporation and establishment of a metro township in accordance with this part.
  - (5) (a) The county legislative body may, by ordinance or resolution adopted at a public meeting, change the boundaries of a planning township.
  - (b) A change to a planning township boundary under this Subsection (5) is effective only upon the vote of the residents of the planning township at an election under Section 10-2a-404 to incorporate as a metro township or as a city or town and does not affect the boundaries of the planning township before the election.
    - (c) The county legislative body:
  - (i) may alter a planning township boundary under Subsection (5)(a) only if the alteration:
    - (A) affects less than 5% of the residents residing within the planning advisory area; and
    - (B) does not increase the area located within the planning township's boundaries; and
  - (ii) may not alter the boundaries of a planning township whose boundaries are entirely surrounded by one or more municipalities.
  - (6) After November 2, 2015, and before January 1, 2017, a person may not initiate an annexation or an incorporation process that, if approved, would change the boundaries of a planning township.
    - (7) (a) As used in this Subsection (7), "rural real property" means an area:
- (i) zoned primarily for manufacturing, commercial, or agricultural purposes; and

1764 (ii) that does not include residential units with a density greater than one unit per acre. 1765 (b) Unless an owner of rural real property gives written consent to a county legislative 1766 body, rural real property described in Subsection (7)(c) may not be: 1767 (i) included in a planning township identified under Subsection (1)(c); or 1768 (ii) incorporated as part of a metro township, city, or town, in accordance with this 1769 part. 1770 (c) The following rural real property is subject to an owner's written consent under 1771 Subsection (7)(b): 1772 (i) rural real property that consists of 1,500 or more contiguous acres of real property 1773 consisting of one or more tax parcels; 1774 (ii) rural real property that is not contiguous to, but used in connection with, rural real 1775 property that consists of 1,500 or more contiguous acres of real property consisting of one or 1776 more tax parcels: 1777 (iii) rural real property that is owned, managed, or controlled by a person, company, or 1778 association, including a parent, subsidiary, or affiliate related to the owner of 1,500 or more 1779 contiguous acres of rural real property consisting of one or more tax parcels; or 1780 (iv) rural real property that is located in whole or in part in one of the following as defined in Section 17-41-101: 1781 1782 (A) an agricultural protection area: 1783 (B) an industrial protection area; or 1784 (C) a mining protection area. 1785 Section 27. Section 10-2a-405 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read: 10-2a-405 (Effective 07/01/21). Duties of county legislative body -- Public hearing 1786 -- Notice -- Other election and incorporation issues -- Rural real property excluded. 1787 1788 (1) The legislative body of a county of the first class shall before an election described 1789 in Section 10-2a-404:

- 1790 (a) in accordance with Subsection (3), [publish] provide notice of the public hearing 1791 described in Subsection (1)(b);
  - (b) hold a public hearing; and

- 1793 (c) at the public hearing, adopt a resolution:
- 1794 (i) identifying, including a map prepared by the county surveyor, all unincorporated

islands within the county;

- (ii) identifying each eligible city that will annex each unincorporated island, including whether the unincorporated island may be annexed by one eligible city or divided and annexed by multiple eligible cities, if approved by the residents at an election under Section 10-2a-404; and
- (iii) identifying, including a map prepared by the county surveyor, the planning townships within the county and any changes to the boundaries of a planning township that the county legislative body proposes under Subsection (5).
- (2) The county legislative body shall exclude from a resolution adopted under Subsection (1)(c) rural real property unless the owner of the rural real property provides written consent to include the property in accordance with Subsection (7).
- (3) (a) The county clerk shall [publish] provide notice of the public hearing described in Subsection (1)(b):
- (i) by mailing notice to each owner of real property located in an unincorporated island or planning township no later than 15 days before the day of the public hearing;
- (ii) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 63A-16-601, for three weeks before the day of the public hearing; and
- (iii) by posting at least one notice of the hearing per 1,000 population in conspicuous places within the selected unincorporated island, eligible city, or planning township, as applicable, that are most likely to give notice of the hearing to the residents of the unincorporated island, eligible city, or planning township, subject to a maximum of 10 notices.
- (b) The clerk shall post the notices under Subsection (3)(a)(iii) at least seven days before the hearing under Subsection (1)(b).
  - (c) The notice under Subsection (3)(a) shall include:
- (i) (A) for a resident of an unincorporated island, a statement that the property in the unincorporated island may be, if approved at an election under Section 10-2a-404, annexed by an eligible city, including divided and annexed by multiple cities if applicable, and the name of the eligible city or cities; or
- (B) for residents of a planning township, a statement that the property in the planning township shall be, pending the results of the election held under Section 10-2a-404, incorporated as a city, town, or metro township;

1826	(ii) the location and time of the public hearing; and
1827	(iii) the county website where a map may be accessed showing:
1828	(A) how the unincorporated island boundaries will change if annexed by an eligible
1829	city; or
1830	(B) how the planning township area boundaries will change, if applicable under
1831	Subsection (5), when the planning township incorporates as a metro township or as a city or
1832	town.
1833	(d) The county clerk shall publish a map described in Subsection (3)(c)(iii) on the
1834	county website.
1835	(4) The county legislative body may, by ordinance or resolution adopted at a public
1836	meeting and in accordance with applicable law, resolve an issue that arises with an election
1837	held in accordance with this part or the incorporation and establishment of a metro township in
1838	accordance with this part.
1839	(5) (a) The county legislative body may, by ordinance or resolution adopted at a public
1840	meeting, change the boundaries of a planning township.
1841	(b) A change to a planning township boundary under this Subsection (5) is effective
1842	only upon the vote of the residents of the planning township at an election under Section
1843	10-2a-404 to incorporate as a metro township or as a city or town and does not affect the
1844	boundaries of the planning township before the election.
1845	(c) The county legislative body:
1846	(i) may alter a planning township boundary under Subsection (5)(a) only if the
1847	alteration:
1848	(A) affects less than 5% of the residents residing within the planning advisory area; and
1849	(B) does not increase the area located within the planning township's boundaries; and
1850	(ii) may not alter the boundaries of a planning township whose boundaries are entirely
1851	surrounded by one or more municipalities.
1852	(6) After November 2, 2015, and before January 1, 2017, a person may not initiate an
1853	annexation or an incorporation process that, if approved, would change the boundaries of a
1854	planning township.

(7) (a) As used in this Subsection (7), "rural real property" means an area:

(i) zoned primarily for manufacturing, commercial, or agricultural purposes; and

1857	(ii) that does not include residential units with a density greater than one unit per acre.
1858	(b) Unless an owner of rural real property gives written consent to a county legislative
1859	body, rural real property described in Subsection (7)(c) may not be:
1860	(i) included in a planning township identified under Subsection (1)(c); or
1861	(ii) incorporated as part of a metro township, city, or town, in accordance with this
1862	part.
1863	(c) The following rural real property is subject to an owner's written consent under
1864	Subsection (7)(b):
1865	(i) rural real property that consists of 1,500 or more contiguous acres of real property
1866	consisting of one or more tax parcels;
1867	(ii) rural real property that is not contiguous to, but used in connection with, rural real
1868	property that consists of 1,500 or more contiguous acres of real property consisting of one or
1869	more tax parcels;
1870	(iii) rural real property that is owned, managed, or controlled by a person, company, or
1871	association, including a parent, subsidiary, or affiliate related to the owner of 1,500 or more
1872	contiguous acres of rural real property consisting of one or more tax parcels; or
1873	(iv) rural real property that is located in whole or in part in one of the following as
1874	defined in Section 17-41-101:
1875	(A) an agricultural protection area;
1876	(B) an industrial protection area; or
1877	(C) a mining protection area.
1878	Section 28. Section 10-2a-410 is amended to read:
1879	10-2a-410. Determination of metro township districts Determination of metro
1880	township or city initial officer terms Adoption of proposed districts.
1881	(1) (a) If a metro township with a population of 10,000 or more is incorporated in
1882	accordance with an election held under Section 10-2a-404:
1883	(i) each of the five metro township council members shall be elected by district; and
1884	(ii) the boundaries of the five council districts for election and the terms of office shall
1885	be designated and determined in accordance with this section.
1886	(b) If a metro township with a population of less than 10,000 or a town is incorporated

at an election held in accordance with Section 10-2a-404, the five council members shall be

elected at-large for terms as designated and determined in accordance with this section.

1889

1892

1893

1894

1895

1896

1897

1898

1899

1900

1901

1902

1903

1904

1905

1906

1907 1908

1909

1910

1911

1912

1913

1914

1915

- (c) If a city is incorporated at an election held in accordance with Section 10-2a-404:
- 1890 (i) (A) the four members of the council district who are not the mayor shall be elected 1891 by district; and
  - (B) the boundaries of the four council districts for election and the term of office shall be designated and determined in accordance with this section; and
  - (ii) the mayor shall be elected at-large for a term designated and determined in accordance with this section.
  - (2) (a) No later than 90 days after the election day on which the metro township, city, or town is successfully incorporated under this part, the legislative body of the county in which the metro township, city, or town is located shall adopt by resolution:
  - (i) subject to Subsection (2)(b), for each incorporated metro township, city, or town, the council terms for a length of time in accordance with this section; and
  - (ii) (A) for a metro township with a population of 10,000 or more, the boundaries of the five council districts; and
    - (B) for a city, the boundaries of the four council districts.
  - (b) (i) For each metro township, city, or town, the county legislative body shall set the initial terms of the members of the metro township council, city council, or town council so that:
  - (A) except as provided in Subsection (2)(b)(ii), approximately half the members of the council, including the mayor in the case of a city, are elected to serve an initial term, of no less than one year, that allows their successors to serve a full four-year term that coincides with the schedule established in Subsection 10-3-205(1); and
  - (B) the remaining members of the council are elected to serve an initial term, of no less than one year, that allows their successors to serve a full four-year term that coincides with the schedule established in Subsection 10-3-205(2).
  - (ii) For a city that incorporated in a county of the first class in 2016, the term of office for the office of mayor is:
    - (A) three years for the initial term of office; and
- (B) four years for each subsequent term of office.
- 1918 (iii) For a metro township with a population of 10,000 or more, the county legislative

- body shall divide the metro township into five council districts that comply with Section
   10-3-205.5.
- 1921 (iv) For a city, the county legislative body shall divide the city into four council districts that comply with Section 10-3-205.5.
  - (3) (a) Within 20 days of the county legislative body's adoption of a resolution under Subsection (2), the county clerk shall [publish] provide a notice, in accordance with Subsection (3)(b), [notice] containing:
    - (i) if applicable, a description of the boundaries, as designated in the resolution, of:
  - (A) for a metro township with a population of 10,000 or more, the metro township council districts; or
    - (B) the city council districts;

- (ii) information about the deadline for filing a declaration of candidacy for those seeking to become candidates for metro township council, city council, town council, or city mayor, respectively; and
- (iii) information about the length of the initial term of city mayor or each of the metro township, city, or town council offices, as described in the resolution.
- (b) The county clerk shall [publish] provide the notice required under Subsection (3)(a):
  - (i) <u>by posting notice</u> on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section [63F-1-701] 63A-12-201, for two weeks; and
  - (ii) by posting at least one notice per 1,000 population in conspicuous places within the future metro township, city, or town that are most likely to give notice to the residents of the future metro township, city, or town, subject to a maximum of 10 notices.
  - (c) The notice under Subsection (3)(b)(ii) shall contain the information required under Subsection (3)(a).
  - (d) The county clerk shall post the notices under Subsection (3)(b)(ii) at least seven days before the deadline for filing a declaration of candidacy under Subsection (4).
- (4) A person seeking to become a candidate for metro township, city, or town council or city mayor shall, in accordance with Section 20A-9-202, file a declaration of candidacy with the clerk of the county in which the metro township, city, or town is located for an election described in Section 10-2a-411.

1950	Section 29. Section 10-18-203 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
1951	10-18-203 (Superseded 07/01/21). Feasibility study on providing cable television
1952	or public telecommunications services Public hearings.
1953	(1) If a feasibility consultant is hired under Section 10-18-202, the legislative body of
1954	the municipality shall require the feasibility consultant to:
1955	(a) complete the feasibility study in accordance with this section;
1956	(b) submit to the legislative body by no later than 180 days from the date the feasibility
1957	consultant is hired to conduct the feasibility study:
1958	(i) the full written results of the feasibility study; and
1959	(ii) a summary of the results that is no longer than one page in length; and
1960	(c) attend the public hearings described in Subsection (4) to:
1961	(i) present the feasibility study results; and
1962	(ii) respond to questions from the public.
1963	(2) The feasibility study described in Subsection (1) shall at a minimum consider:
1964	(a) (i) if the municipality is proposing to provide cable television services to
1965	subscribers, whether the municipality providing cable television services in the manner
1966	proposed by the municipality will hinder or advance competition for cable television services
1967	in the municipality; or
1968	(ii) if the municipality is proposing to provide public telecommunications services to
1969	subscribers, whether the municipality providing public telecommunications services in the
1970	manner proposed by the municipality will hinder or advance competition for public
1971	telecommunications services in the municipality;
1972	(b) whether but for the municipality any person would provide the proposed:
1973	(i) cable television services; or
1974	(ii) public telecommunications services;
1975	(c) the fiscal impact on the municipality of:
1976	(i) the capital investment in facilities that will be used to provide the proposed:
1977	(A) cable television services; or
1978	(B) public telecommunications services; and
1979	(ii) the expenditure of funds for labor, financing, and administering the proposed:
1980	(A) cable television services; or

1981	(B) public telecommunications services;
1982	(d) the projected growth in demand in the municipality for the proposed:
1983	(i) cable television services; or
1984	(ii) public telecommunications services;
1985	(e) the projections at the time of the feasibility study and for the next five years, of a
1986	full-cost accounting for a municipality to purchase, lease, construct, maintain, or operate the
1987	facilities necessary to provide the proposed:
1988	(i) cable television services; or
1989	(ii) public telecommunications services; and
1990	(f) the projections at the time of the feasibility study and for the next five years of the
1991	revenues to be generated from the proposed:
1992	(i) cable television services; or
1993	(ii) public telecommunications services.
1994	(3) For purposes of the financial projections required under Subsections (2)(e) and (f)
1995	the feasibility consultant shall assume that the municipality will price the proposed cable
1996	television services or public telecommunications services consistent with Subsection
1997	10-18-303(5).
1998	(4) If the results of the feasibility study satisfy the revenue requirement of Subsection
1999	10-18-202(3), the legislative body, at the next regular meeting after the legislative body
2000	receives the results of the feasibility study, shall schedule at least two public hearings to be
2001	held:
2002	(a) within 60 days of the meeting at which the public hearings are scheduled;
2003	(b) at least seven days apart; and
2004	(c) for the purpose of allowing:
2005	(i) the feasibility consultant to present the results of the feasibility study; and
2006	(ii) the public to:
2007	(A) become informed about the feasibility study results; and
2008	(B) ask questions of the feasibility consultant about the results of the feasibility study.
2009	(5) (a) The municipality shall [publish] provide notice of the public hearings required
2010	under Subsection (4) by:
2011	(i) posting the notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section

2012	63A-12-201, for three weeks, at least three days before the first public hearing required under
2013	Subsection (4); and
2014	(ii) posting at least one notice of the hearings per 1,000 residents, in a conspicuous
2015	place within the municipality that is likely to give notice of the hearings to the greatest number
2016	of residents of the municipality, subject to a maximum of 10 notices.
2017	(b) The municipality shall post the notices at least seven days before the first public
2018	hearing required under Subsection (4) is held.
2019	Section 30. Section 10-18-203 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:
2020	10-18-203 (Effective 07/01/21). Feasibility study on providing cable television or
2021	public telecommunications services Public hearings.
2022	(1) If a feasibility consultant is hired under Section 10-18-202, the legislative body of
2023	the municipality shall require the feasibility consultant to:
2024	(a) complete the feasibility study in accordance with this section;
2025	(b) submit to the legislative body by no later than 180 days from the date the feasibility
2026	consultant is hired to conduct the feasibility study:
2027	(i) the full written results of the feasibility study; and
2028	(ii) a summary of the results that is no longer than one page in length; and
2029	(c) attend the public hearings described in Subsection (4) to:
2030	(i) present the feasibility study results; and
2031	(ii) respond to questions from the public.
2032	(2) The feasibility study described in Subsection (1) shall at a minimum consider:
2033	(a) (i) if the municipality is proposing to provide cable television services to
2034	subscribers, whether the municipality providing cable television services in the manner
2035	proposed by the municipality will hinder or advance competition for cable television services
2036	in the municipality; or
2037	(ii) if the municipality is proposing to provide public telecommunications services to
2038	subscribers, whether the municipality providing public telecommunications services in the
2039	manner proposed by the municipality will hinder or advance competition for public
2040	telecommunications services in the municipality;
2041	(b) whether but for the municipality any person would provide the proposed:
2042	(i) cable television services; or

2043	(ii) public telecommunications services;
2044	(c) the fiscal impact on the municipality of:
2045	(i) the capital investment in facilities that will be used to provide the proposed:
2046	(A) cable television services; or
2047	(B) public telecommunications services; and
2048	(ii) the expenditure of funds for labor, financing, and administering the proposed:
2049	(A) cable television services; or
2050	(B) public telecommunications services;
2051	(d) the projected growth in demand in the municipality for the proposed:
2052	(i) cable television services; or
2053	(ii) public telecommunications services;
2054	(e) the projections at the time of the feasibility study and for the next five years, of a
2055	full-cost accounting for a municipality to purchase, lease, construct, maintain, or operate the
2056	facilities necessary to provide the proposed:
2057	(i) cable television services; or
2058	(ii) public telecommunications services; and
2059	(f) the projections at the time of the feasibility study and for the next five years of the
2060	revenues to be generated from the proposed:
2061	(i) cable television services; or
2062	(ii) public telecommunications services.
2063	(3) For purposes of the financial projections required under Subsections (2)(e) and (f),
2064	the feasibility consultant shall assume that the municipality will price the proposed cable
2065	television services or public telecommunications services consistent with Subsection
2066	10-18-303(5).
2067	(4) If the results of the feasibility study satisfy the revenue requirement of Subsection
2068	10-18-202(3), the legislative body, at the next regular meeting after the legislative body
2069	receives the results of the feasibility study, shall schedule at least two public hearings to be
2070	held:
2071	(a) within 60 days of the meeting at which the public hearings are scheduled;
2072	(b) at least seven days apart; and
2073	(c) for the purpose of allowing:

2074	(i) the feasibility consultant to present the results of the feasibility study; and
2075	(ii) the public to:
2076	(A) become informed about the feasibility study results; and
2077	(B) ask questions of the feasibility consultant about the results of the feasibility study.
2078	(5) (a) The municipality shall [publish] provide notice of the public hearings required
2079	under Subsection (4) by:
2080	(i) posting the notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
2081	63A-16-601, for three weeks, at least three days before the first public hearing required under
2082	Subsection (4); and
2083	(ii) posting at least one notice of the hearings per 1,000 residents, in a conspicuous
2084	place within the municipality that is likely to give notice of the hearings to the greatest number
2085	of residents of the municipality, subject to a maximum of 10 notices.
2086	(b) The municipality shall post the notices at least seven days before the first public
2087	hearing required under Subsection (4) is held.
2088	Section 31. Section 11-14-202 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
2089	11-14-202 (Superseded 07/01/21). Notice of election Contents Publication
2090	Mailing.
2091	(1) The governing body shall [publish] provide notice of the election:
2092	(a) (i) at least 21 days before the day of the election, by posting one notice, and at least
2093	one additional notice per 2,000 population of the local political subdivision, in places within
2094	the local political subdivision that are most likely to give notice to the voters in the local
2095	political subdivision, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
2096	(ii) at least three weeks before the day of the election, by mailing notice to each
2097	registered voter in the local political subdivision;
2098	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
2099	63A-12-201, for three weeks before the day of the election; and
2100	(c) if the local political subdivision has a website, by posting notice on the local
2101	political subdivision's website for at least three weeks before the day of the election.
2102	(2) When the debt service on the bonds to be issued will increase the property tax
2103	imposed upon the average value of a residence by an amount that is greater than or equal to \$15
2104	per year, the governing body shall prepare and mail either a voter information pamphlet or a

2105	notification described in Subsection (8):
2106	(a) at least 15 days, but not more than 45 days, before the bond election;
2107	(b) to each household containing a registered voter who is eligible to vote on the
2108	bonds; and
2109	(c) that includes the information required by Subsections (4) and (5).
2110	(3) The election officer may change the location of, or establish an additional:
2111	(a) voting precinct polling place, in accordance with Subsection (6);
2112	(b) early voting polling place, in accordance with Subsection 20A-3a-603(2); or
2113	(c) election day voting center, in accordance with Subsection 20A-3a-703(2).
2114	(4) The notice described in Subsection (1) and the voter information pamphlet
2115	described in Subsection (2):
2116	(a) shall include, in the following order:
2117	(i) the date of the election;
2118	(ii) the hours during which the polls will be open;
2119	(iii) the address of the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website and, if
2120	available, the address of the election officer's website, with a statement indicating that the
2121	election officer will post on the website the location of each polling place for each voting
2122	precinct, each early voting polling place, and each election day voting center, including any
2123	changes to the location of a polling place and the location of an additional polling place;
2124	(iv) a phone number that a voter may call to obtain information regarding the location
2125	of a polling place; and
2126	(v) the title and text of the ballot proposition, including the property tax cost of the
2127	bond described in Subsection 11-14-206(2)(a); and
2128	(b) may include the location of each polling place.
2129	(5) The voter information pamphlet required by this section shall include:
2130	(a) the information required under Subsection (4); and
2131	(b) an explanation of the property tax impact, if any, of the issuance of the bonds,
2132	which may be based on information the governing body determines to be useful, including:
2133	(i) expected debt service on the bonds to be issued;
2134	(ii) a description of the purpose, remaining principal balance, and maturity date of any

outstanding general obligation bonds of the issuer;

2136	(iii) funds other than property taxes available to pay debt service on general obligation
2137	bonds;
2138	(iv) timing of expenditures of bond proceeds;
2139	(v) property values; and
2140	(vi) any additional information that the governing body determines may be useful to
2141	explain the property tax impact of issuance of the bonds.
2142	(6) (a) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308, the election officer may, after the
2143	deadlines described in Subsections (1) and (2):
2144	(i) if necessary, change the location of a voting precinct polling place; or
2145	(ii) if the election officer determines that the number of voting precinct polling places
2146	is insufficient due to the number of registered voters who are voting, designate additional
2147	voting precinct polling places.
2148	(b) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308, if an election officer changes the
2149	location of a voting precinct polling place or designates an additional voting precinct polling
2150	place, the election officer shall, as soon as is reasonably possible, give notice of the dates,
2151	times, and location of a changed voting precinct polling place or an additional voting precinct
2152	polling place:
2153	(i) to the lieutenant governor, for posting on the Statewide Electronic Voter
2154	Information Website;
2155	(ii) by posting the information on the website of the election officer, if available; and
2156	(iii) by posting notice:
2157	(A) of a change in the location of a voting precinct polling place, at the new location
2158	and, if possible, the old location; and
2159	(B) of an additional voting precinct polling place, at the additional voting precinct
2160	polling place.
2161	(7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this
2162	section.
2163	(8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid,
2164	preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information
2165	pamphlet by mail.
2166	(b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:

2167	(i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and
2168	(ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information
2169	pamphlet by mail.
2170	(9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet
2171	requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.
2172	Section 32. Section 11-14-202 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:
2173	11-14-202 (Effective 07/01/21). Notice of election Contents Publication
2174	Mailing.
2175	(1) The governing body shall [publish] provide notice of the election:
2176	(a) (i) at least 21 days before the day of the election, by posting one notice, and at least
2177	one additional notice per 2,000 population of the local political subdivision, in places within
2178	the local political subdivision that are most likely to give notice to the voters in the local
2179	political subdivision, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
2180	(ii) at least three weeks before the day of the election, by mailing notice to each
2181	registered voter in the local political subdivision;
2182	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
2183	63A-16-601, for three weeks before the day of the election; and
2184	(c) if the local political subdivision has a website, by posting notice on the local
2185	political subdivision's website for at least three weeks before the day of the election.
2186	(2) When the debt service on the bonds to be issued will increase the property tax
2187	imposed upon the average value of a residence by an amount that is greater than or equal to \$15
2188	per year, the governing body shall prepare and mail either a voter information pamphlet or a
2189	notification described in Subsection (8):
2190	(a) at least 15 days, but not more than 45 days, before the bond election;
2191	(b) to each household containing a registered voter who is eligible to vote on the
2192	bonds; and
2193	(c) that includes the information required by Subsections (4) and (5).
2194	(3) The election officer may change the location of, or establish an additional:
2195	(a) voting precinct polling place, in accordance with Subsection (6);
2196	(b) early voting polling place, in accordance with Subsection 20A-3a-603(2); or
2197	(c) election day voting center, in accordance with Subsection 20A-3a-703(2).

2198	(4) The notice described in Subsection (1) and the voter information pamphlet
2199	described in Subsection (2):
2200	(a) shall include, in the following order:
2201	(i) the date of the election;
2202	(ii) the hours during which the polls will be open;
2203	(iii) the address of the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website and, if
2204	available, the address of the election officer's website, with a statement indicating that the
2205	election officer will post on the website the location of each polling place for each voting
2206	precinct, each early voting polling place, and each election day voting center, including any
2207	changes to the location of a polling place and the location of an additional polling place;
2208	(iv) a phone number that a voter may call to obtain information regarding the location
2209	of a polling place; and
2210	(v) the title and text of the ballot proposition, including the property tax cost of the
2211	bond described in Subsection 11-14-206(2)(a); and
2212	(b) may include the location of each polling place.
2213	(5) The voter information pamphlet required by this section shall include:
2214	(a) the information required under Subsection (4); and
2215	(b) an explanation of the property tax impact, if any, of the issuance of the bonds,
2216	which may be based on information the governing body determines to be useful, including:
2217	(i) expected debt service on the bonds to be issued;
2218	(ii) a description of the purpose, remaining principal balance, and maturity date of any
2219	outstanding general obligation bonds of the issuer;
2220	(iii) funds other than property taxes available to pay debt service on general obligation
2221	bonds;
2222	(iv) timing of expenditures of bond proceeds;
2223	(v) property values; and
2224	(vi) any additional information that the governing body determines may be useful to
2225	explain the property tax impact of issuance of the bonds.
2226	(6) (a) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308, the election officer may, after the
2227	deadlines described in Subsections (1) and (2):
2228	(i) if necessary, change the location of a voting precinct polling place; or

is insufficient due to the number of registered voters who are voting, designate additional voting precinct polling places.  (b) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308, if an election officer changes the location of a voting precinct polling place or designates an additional voting precinct polling place, the election officer shall, as soon as is reasonably possible, give notice of the dates, times, and location of a changed voting precinct polling place or an additional voting precinct polling place:  (i) to the lieutenant governor, for posting on the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website;  (ii) by posting the information on the website of the election officer, if available; and (iii) by posting notice:  (A) of a change in the location of a voting precinct polling place, at the new location and, if possible, the old location; and  (B) of an additional voting precinct polling place, at the additional voting precinct polling place.  (7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this section.  (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid, preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and  (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.	2229	(ii) if the election officer determines that the number of voting precinct polling places
voting precinct polling places.  (b) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308, if an election officer changes the location of a voting precinct polling place or designates an additional voting precinct polling place, the election officer shall, as soon as is reasonably possible, give notice of the dates, times, and location of a changed voting precinct polling place or an additional voting precinct polling place:  (i) to the lieutenant governor, for posting on the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website;  (ii) by posting the information on the website of the election officer, if available; and (iii) by posting notice:  (A) of a change in the location of a voting precinct polling place, at the new location and, if possible, the old location; and  (B) of an additional voting precinct polling place, at the additional voting precinct polling place.  (7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this section.  (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid, preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and  (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.		
(b) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308, if an election officer changes the location of a voting precinct polling place or designates an additional voting precinct polling place, the election officer shall, as soon as is reasonably possible, give notice of the dates, times, and location of a changed voting precinct polling place or an additional voting precinct polling place:  (i) to the lieutenant governor, for posting on the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website;  (ii) by posting the information on the website of the election officer, if available; and (iii) by posting notice:  (A) of a change in the location of a voting precinct polling place, at the new location and, if possible, the old location; and  (B) of an additional voting precinct polling place, at the additional voting precinct polling place.  (7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this section.  (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid, preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and  (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.		
location of a voting precinct polling place or designates an additional voting precinct polling place, the election officer shall, as soon as is reasonably possible, give notice of the dates, times, and location of a changed voting precinct polling place or an additional voting precinct polling place:  (i) to the licutenant governor, for posting on the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website;  (ii) by posting the information on the website of the election officer, if available; and (iii) by posting notice:  (A) of a change in the location of a voting precinct polling place, at the new location and, if possible, the old location; and  (B) of an additional voting precinct polling place, at the additional voting precinct polling place.  (7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this section.  (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid, preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and  (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.		
place, the election officer shall, as soon as is reasonably possible, give notice of the dates, times, and location of a changed voting precinct polling place or an additional voting precinct polling place:  (i) to the lieutenant governor, for posting on the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website;  (ii) by posting the information on the website of the election officer, if available; and (iii) by posting notice:  (A) of a change in the location of a voting precinct polling place, at the new location and, if possible, the old location; and  (B) of an additional voting precinct polling place, at the additional voting precinct polling place.  (7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this section.  (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid, preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and  (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.		
times, and location of a changed voting precinct polling place or an additional voting precinct polling place:  (i) to the lieutenant governor, for posting on the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website;  (ii) by posting the information on the website of the election officer, if available; and (iii) by posting notice:  (A) of a change in the location of a voting precinct polling place, at the new location and, if possible, the old location; and  (B) of an additional voting precinct polling place, at the additional voting precinct polling place.  (7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this section.  (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid, preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and  (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.		
polling place:  (i) to the lieutenant governor, for posting on the Statewide Electronic Voter  Information Website;  (ii) by posting the information on the website of the election officer, if available; and  (iii) by posting notice:  (A) of a change in the location of a voting precinct polling place, at the new location  and, if possible, the old location; and  (B) of an additional voting precinct polling place, at the additional voting precinct  polling place.  (7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this  section.  (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid,  preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information  pamphlet by mail.  (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and  (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information  pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet  requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service  provided by local district.		
(i) to the lieutenant governor, for posting on the Statewide Electronic Voter  Information Website;  (ii) by posting the information on the website of the election officer, if available; and  (iii) by posting notice:  (A) of a change in the location of a voting precinct polling place, at the new location and, if possible, the old location; and  (B) of an additional voting precinct polling place, at the additional voting precinct polling place.  (7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this section.  (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid, preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and  (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.		
Information Website;  (ii) by posting the information on the website of the election officer, if available; and (iii) by posting notice:  (A) of a change in the location of a voting precinct polling place, at the new location and, if possible, the old location; and  (B) of an additional voting precinct polling place, at the additional voting precinct polling place.  (7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this section.  (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid, preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and  (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.		
(ii) by posting the information on the website of the election officer, if available; and (iii) by posting notice:  (A) of a change in the location of a voting precinct polling place, at the new location and, if possible, the old location; and  (B) of an additional voting precinct polling place, at the additional voting precinct polling place.  (7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this section.  (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid, preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
(iii) by posting notice:  (A) of a change in the location of a voting precinct polling place, at the new location and, if possible, the old location; and  (B) of an additional voting precinct polling place, at the additional voting precinct polling place.  (7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this section.  (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid, preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and  (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.		
2241 (A) of a change in the location of a voting precinct polling place, at the new location 2242 and, if possible, the old location; and 2243 (B) of an additional voting precinct polling place, at the additional voting precinct 2244 polling place. 2245 (7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this 2246 section. 2247 (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid, 2248 preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information 2249 pamphlet by mail. 2250 (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include: 2251 (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and 2252 (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information 2253 pamphlet by mail. 2254 (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet 2255 requirements described in Section 53G-4-603. 2256 Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read: 2257 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service 2258 provided by local district.		
and, if possible, the old location; and  (B) of an additional voting precinct polling place, at the additional voting precinct polling place.  (7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this section.  (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid, preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and  (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.		· / • 1
(B) of an additional voting precinct polling place, at the additional voting precinct polling place.  (7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this section.  (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid, preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and  (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.		
polling place.  (7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this section.  (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid, preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and  (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.		
2245 (7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this section.  2247 (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid, 2248 preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  2250 (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include: 2251 (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and 2252 (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  2253 pamphlet by mail.  2254 (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  2256 Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read: 2257 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.	2243	
section.  (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid, preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and  (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.	2244	polling place.
2247 (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid, 2248 preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information 2249 pamphlet by mail. 2250 (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include: 2251 (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and 2252 (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information 2253 pamphlet by mail. 2254 (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet 2255 requirements described in Section 53G-4-603. 2256 Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read: 2257 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service 2258 provided by local district.	2245	(7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this
preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and  (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.	2246	section.
pamphlet by mail.  (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and  (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information  pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet  requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service  provided by local district.	2247	(8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid,
(b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:  (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and  (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information  pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet  requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service  provided by local district.	2248	preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information
(i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.	2249	pamphlet by mail.
(ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.	2250	(b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:
pamphlet by mail.  (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.	2251	(i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and
2254 (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet 2255 requirements described in Section 53G-4-603. 2256 Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read: 2257 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service 2258 provided by local district.	2252	(ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information
requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.  Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.	2253	pamphlet by mail.
Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:  17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service  provided by local district.	2254	(9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet
2257 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.	2255	requirements described in Section 53G-4-603.
2258 provided by local district.	2256	Section 33. Section 17B-1-643 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
2258 provided by local district.	2257	
•	2258	
		(1) (a) Before imposing a new fee or increasing an existing fee for a service provided

by a local district, each local district board of trustees shall first hold a public hearing at which:

- (i) the local district shall demonstrate its need to impose or increase the fee; and
- 2262 (ii) any interested person may speak for or against the proposal to impose a fee or to 2263 increase an existing fee.
  - (b) Each public hearing under Subsection (1)(a) shall be held in the evening beginning no earlier than 6 p.m.
  - (c) A public hearing required under this Subsection (1) may be combined with a public hearing on a tentative budget required under Section 17B-1-610.
  - (d) Except to the extent that this section imposes more stringent notice requirements, the local district board shall comply with Title 52, Chapter 4, Open and Public Meetings Act, in holding the public hearing under Subsection (1)(a).
  - (2) (a) Each local district board shall give notice of a hearing under Subsection (1) as provided in Subsections (2)(b) and (c) or Subsection (2)(d).
    - (b) The local district board shall:

- (i) post the notice required under Subsection (2)(a) on the Utah Public Notice Website [established], created in Section 63A-12-201; and
- (ii) post at least one of the notices required under Subsection (2)(a) per 1,000 population within the local district, at places within the local district that are most likely to provide actual notice to residents within the local district, subject to a maximum of 10 notices.
- (c) The notice described in Subsection (2)(b) shall state that the local district board intends to impose or increase a fee for a service provided by the local district and will hold a public hearing on a certain day, time, and place fixed in the notice, which shall be not less than seven days after the day the first notice is published, for the purpose of hearing comments regarding the proposed imposition or increase of a fee and to explain the reasons for the proposed imposition or increase.
- (d) (i) In lieu of providing notice under Subsection (2)(b), the local district board of trustees may give the notice required under Subsection (2)(a) by mailing the notice to those within the district who:
- 2288 (A) will be charged the fee for a district service, if the fee is being imposed for the first time; or
  - (B) are being charged a fee, if the fee is proposed to be increased.

2291	(ii) Each notice under Subsection (2)(d)(1) shall comply with Subsection (2)(c).
2292	(iii) A notice under Subsection (2)(d)(i) may accompany a district bill for an existing
2293	fee.
2294	(e) If the hearing required under this section is combined with the public hearing
2295	required under Section 17B-1-610, the notice required under this Subsection (2):
2296	(i) may be combined with the notice required under Section 17B-1-609; and
2297	(ii) shall be posted or mailed in accordance with the notice provisions of this section.
2298	(f) Proof that notice was given as provided in Subsection (2)(b) or (d) is prima facie
2299	evidence that notice was properly given.
2300	(g) If no challenge is made to the notice given of a hearing required by Subsection (1)
2301	within 30 days after the date of the hearing, the notice is considered adequate and proper.
2302	(3) After holding a public hearing under Subsection (1), a local district board may:
2303	(a) impose the new fee or increase the existing fee as proposed;
2304	(b) adjust the amount of the proposed new fee or the increase of the existing fee and
2305	then impose the new fee or increase the existing fee as adjusted; or
2306	(c) decline to impose the new fee or increase the existing fee.
2307	(4) This section applies to each new fee imposed and each increase of an existing fee
2308	that occurs on or after July 1, 1998.
2309	(5) (a) This section does not apply to an impact fee.
2310	(b) The imposition or increase of an impact fee is governed by Title 11, Chapter 36a,
2311	Impact Fees Act.
2312	Section 34. Section 17B-1-643 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:
2313	17B-1-643 (Effective 07/01/21). Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided
2314	by local district.
2315	(1) (a) Before imposing a new fee or increasing an existing fee for a service provided
2316	by a local district, each local district board of trustees shall first hold a public hearing at which
2317	(i) the local district shall demonstrate its need to impose or increase the fee; and
2318	(ii) any interested person may speak for or against the proposal to impose a fee or to
2319	increase an existing fee.
2320	(b) Each public hearing under Subsection (1)(a) shall be held in the evening beginning
2321	no earlier than 6 n m

(c) A public hearing required under this Subsection (1) may be combined with a public hearing on a tentative budget required under Section 17B-1-610.

- (d) Except to the extent that this section imposes more stringent notice requirements, the local district board shall comply with Title 52, Chapter 4, Open and Public Meetings Act, in holding the public hearing under Subsection (1)(a).
- (2) (a) Each local district board shall give notice of a hearing under Subsection (1) as provided in Subsections (2)(b) and (c) or Subsection (2)(d).
  - (b) The local district board shall:

- (i) post the notice required under Subsection (2)(a) on the Utah Public Notice Website [established], created in Section 63A-16-601; and
- (ii) post at least one of the notices required under Subsection (2)(a) per 1,000 population within the local district, at places within the local district that are most likely to provide actual notice to residents within the local district, subject to a maximum of 10 notices.
- (c) The notice described in Subsection (2)(b) shall state that the local district board intends to impose or increase a fee for a service provided by the local district and will hold a public hearing on a certain day, time, and place fixed in the notice, which shall be not less than seven days after the day the first notice is published, for the purpose of hearing comments regarding the proposed imposition or increase of a fee and to explain the reasons for the proposed imposition or increase.
- (d) (i) In lieu of providing notice under Subsection (2)(b), the local district board of trustees may give the notice required under Subsection (2)(a) by mailing the notice to those within the district who:
- (A) will be charged the fee for a district service, if the fee is being imposed for the first time; or
  - (B) are being charged a fee, if the fee is proposed to be increased.
  - (ii) Each notice under Subsection (2)(d)(i) shall comply with Subsection (2)(c).
- 2348 (iii) A notice under Subsection (2)(d)(i) may accompany a district bill for an existing 2349 fee.
  - (e) If the hearing required under this section is combined with the public hearing required under Section 17B-1-610, the notice required under this Subsection (2):
  - (i) may be combined with the notice required under Section 17B-1-609; and

2353 (ii) shall be posted or mailed in accordance with the notice provisions of this section. 2354 (f) Proof that notice was given as provided in Subsection (2)(b) or (d) is prima facie 2355 evidence that notice was properly given. 2356 (g) If no challenge is made to the notice given of a hearing required by Subsection (1) 2357 within 30 days after the date of the hearing, the notice is considered adequate and proper. 2358 (3) After holding a public hearing under Subsection (1), a local district board may: 2359 (a) impose the new fee or increase the existing fee as proposed; 2360 (b) adjust the amount of the proposed new fee or the increase of the existing fee and 2361 then impose the new fee or increase the existing fee as adjusted; or 2362 (c) decline to impose the new fee or increase the existing fee. 2363 (4) This section applies to each new fee imposed and each increase of an existing fee 2364 that occurs on or after July 1, 1998. 2365 (5) (a) This section does not apply to an impact fee. 2366 (b) The imposition or increase of an impact fee is governed by Title 11, Chapter 36a, 2367 Impact Fees Act. 2368 Section 35. Section 17B-2a-705 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read: 2369 17B-2a-705 (Superseded 07/01/21). Taxation -- Additional levy -- Election. 2370 (1) If a mosquito abatement district board of trustees determines that the funds required 2371 during the next ensuing fiscal year will exceed the maximum amount that the district is 2372 authorized to levy under Subsection 17B-1-103(2)(g), the board of trustees may call an election 2373 on a date specified in Section 20A-1-204 and submit to district voters the question of whether 2374 the district should be authorized to impose an additional tax to raise the necessary additional 2375 funds. 2376 (2) The board shall [publish] provide notice of the election:

- (a) (i) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the district, in places within the district that are most likely to give notice to the voters in the district, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
- (ii) at least four weeks before the day of the election, by mailing notice to each registered voter in the district;
- 2382 (b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 2383 63A-12-201, for four weeks before the day of the election; and

2377

2378

2379

2384 (c) if the district has a website, by posting notice on the district's website for four 2385 weeks before the day of the election. 2386 (3) No particular form of ballot is required, and no informalities in conducting the 2387 election may invalidate the election, if it is otherwise fairly conducted. 2388 (4) At the election each ballot shall contain the words, "Shall the district be authorized 2389 to impose an additional tax to raise the additional sum of \$ 2390 (5) The board of trustees shall canvass the votes cast at the election, and, if a majority 2391 of the votes cast are in favor of the imposition of the tax, the district is authorized to impose an 2392 additional levy to raise the additional amount of money required. 2393 Section 36. Section 17B-2a-705 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read: 17B-2a-705 (Effective 07/01/21). Taxation -- Additional levy -- Election. 2394 2395 (1) If a mosquito abatement district board of trustees determines that the funds required 2396 during the next ensuing fiscal year will exceed the maximum amount that the district is 2397 authorized to levy under Subsection 17B-1-103(2)(g), the board of trustees may call an election 2398 on a date specified in Section 20A-1-204 and submit to district voters the question of whether 2399 the district should be authorized to impose an additional tax to raise the necessary additional 2400 funds. 2401 (2) The board shall [publish] provide notice of the election: 2402 (a) (i) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of 2403 the district, in places within the district that are most likely to give notice to the voters in the 2404 district, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or 2405 (ii) at least four weeks before the day of the election, by mailing notice to each 2406 registered voter in the district; 2407 (b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 2408 63A-16-601, for four weeks before the day of the election; and 2409 (c) if the district has a website, by posting notice on the district's website for four 2410 weeks before the day of the election. (3) No particular form of ballot is required, and no informalities in conducting the 2411 2412 election may invalidate the election, if it is otherwise fairly conducted.

(4) At the election each ballot shall contain the words, "Shall the district be authorized

to impose an additional tax to raise the additional sum of \$?"

2413

2415	(5) The board of trustees shall canvass the votes cast at the election, and, if a majority
2416	of the votes cast are in favor of the imposition of the tax, the district is authorized to impose an
2417	additional levy to raise the additional amount of money required.
2418	Section 37. Section 20A-1-206 is amended to read:
2419	20A-1-206. Cancellation of local election Municipalities Local districts
2420	Notice.
2421	(1) A municipal legislative body may cancel a local election if:
2422	(a) (i) (A) all municipal officers are elected in an at-large election under Subsection
2423	10-3-205.5(1); and
2424	(B) the number of municipal officer candidates, including any eligible write-in
2425	candidates under Section 20A-9-601, for the at-large municipal offices does not exceed the
2426	number of open at-large municipal offices for which the candidates have filed; or
2427	(ii) (A) the municipality has adopted an ordinance under Subsection 10-3-205.5(2);
2428	(B) the number of municipal officer candidates, including any eligible write-in
2429	candidates under Section 20A-9-601, for the at-large municipal offices, if any, does not exceed
2430	the number of open at-large municipal offices for which the candidates have filed; and
2431	(C) each municipal officer candidate, including any eligible write-in candidates under
2432	Section 20A-9-601, in each district is unopposed;
2433	(b) there are no other municipal ballot propositions; and
2434	(c) the municipal legislative body passes, no later than 20 days before the day of the
2435	scheduled election, a resolution that cancels the election and certifies that:
2436	(i) each municipal officer candidate is:
2437	(A) unopposed; or
2438	(B) a candidate for an at-large municipal office for which the number of candidates
2439	does not exceed the number of open at-large municipal offices; and
2440	(ii) a candidate described in Subsection (1)(c)(i) is considered to be elected to office.
2441	(2) A municipal legislative body that cancels a local election in accordance with
2442	Subsection (1) shall give notice that the election is cancelled by:
2443	(a) subject to Subsection (5), posting notice on the Statewide Electronic Voter
2444	Information Website as described in Section 20A-7-801, for 15 consecutive days before the day
2445	of the scheduled election;

2446 (b) if the municipality has a public website, posting notice on the municipality's public 2447 website for 15 days before the day of the scheduled election; 2448 (c) if the [municipality publishes a] elected officials or departments of the municipality 2449 regularly publish a printed or electronic newsletter or other periodical, publishing notice in the 2450 next scheduled newsletter or other periodical published before the day of the scheduled 2451 election; 2452 (d) (i) publishing notice at least twice in a newspaper of general circulation in the 2453 municipality before the day of the scheduled election; 2454 [(d) (i)] (ii) at least 10 days before the day of the scheduled election, posting one 2455 notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population within the municipality, in places 2456 within the municipality that are most likely to give notice to the voters in the municipality, 2457 subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or 2458 [(iii)] (iii) at least 10 days before the day of the scheduled election, mailing notice to 2459 each registered voter in the municipality; and 2460 (e) posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section [63F-1-701] 2461 63A-12-201, for at least 10 days before the day of the scheduled election. (3) A local district board may cancel an election as described in Section 17B-1-306 if: 2462 2463 (a) (i) (A) any local district officers are elected in an at-large election; and 2464 (B) the number of local district officer candidates for the at-large local district offices, 2465 including any eligible write-in candidates under Section 20A-9-601, does not exceed the 2466 number of open at-large local district offices for which the candidates have filed; or 2467 (ii) (A) the local district has divided the local district into divisions under Section 2468 17B-1-306.5; 2469 (B) the number of local district officer candidates, including any eligible write-in 2470 candidates under Section 20A-9-601, for the at-large local district offices within the local 2471 district, if any, does not exceed the number of open at-large local district offices for which the 2472 candidates have filed; and 2473 (C) each local district officer candidate, including any eligible write-in candidates 2474 under Section 20A-9-601, in each division of the local district is unopposed; 2475 (b) there are no other local district ballot propositions; and

(c) the local district governing body, no later than 20 days before the day of the

	03-17-21 7.42 1 W
2477	scheduled election, adopts a resolution that cancels the election and certifies that:
2478	(i) each local district officer candidate is:
2479	(A) unopposed; or
2480	(B) a candidate for an at-large local district office for which the number of candidates
2481	does not exceed the number of open at-large local district offices; and
2482	(ii) a candidate described in Subsection (3)(c)(i) is considered to be elected to office.
2483	(4) A local district that cancels a local election in accordance with Subsection (3) shall
2484	[publish] provide notice that the election is cancelled:
2485	(a) subject to Subsection (5), by posting notice on the Statewide Electronic Voter
2486	Information Website as described in Section 20A-7-801, for 15 consecutive days before the day
2487	of the scheduled election;
2488	(b) if the local district has a public website, by posting notice on the local district's
2489	public website for 15 days before the day of the scheduled election;
2490	(c) if the local district publishes a newsletter or other periodical, by publishing notice
2491	in the next scheduled newsletter or other periodical published before the day of the scheduled
2492	election;
2493	(d) (i) by publishing notice at least twice in a newspaper of general circulation in the
2494	local district before the scheduled election;
2495	[(d)] (ii) at least 10 days before the day of the scheduled election[: (i)], by posting one
2496	notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the local district, in places
2497	within the local district that are most likely to give notice to the voters in the local district,
2498	subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
2499	[(iii)] (iii) at least 10 days before the day of the scheduled election, by mailing notice to
2500	each registered voter in the local district; and
2501	(e) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
2502	[63F-1-701] $[63A-12-201]$ , for at least 10 days before the day of the scheduled election.
2503	(5) A municipal legislative body that posts a notice in accordance with Subsection
2504	(2)(a) or a local district that posts a notice in accordance with Subsection (4)(a) is not liable for

Section 38. Section 20A-3a-604 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:

a notice that fails to post due to technical or other error by the publisher of the Statewide

Electronic Voter Information Website.

25052506

2508	20A-3a-604 (Superseded 07/01/21). Notice of time and place of early voting.
2509	(1) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308 or Subsection 20A-3a-603(2), the
2510	election officer shall, at least 19 days before the date of the election, [publish] provide notice of
2511	the dates, times, and locations of early voting:
2512	(a) (i) by publishing notice in at least one issue of a newspaper of general circulation in
2513	the county;
2514	[(a) (i)] (ii) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000
2515	population of the county, in places within the county that are most likely to give notice to the
2516	residents in the county, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
2517	[(iii)] (iii) by mailing notice to each registered voter in the county;
2518	(b) by posting [the] notice at each early voting polling place;
2519	(c) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
2520	63A-12-201, for 19 days before the day of the election; and
2521	(d) by posting notice on the county's website for 19 days before the day of the election.
2522	(2) Instead of [publishing] specifying all dates, times, and locations of early voting
2523	[under Subsection (1), the election officer may publish a statement that specifies], a notice
2524	required under Subsection (1) may specify the following sources where a voter may view or
2525	obtain a copy of all dates, times, and locations of early voting:
2526	(a) the county's website;
2527	(b) the physical address of the county's offices; and
2528	(c) a mailing address and telephone number.
2529	(3) The election officer shall include in the notice described in Subsection (1):
2530	(a) the address of the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website and, if available,
2531	the address of the election officer's website, with a statement indicating that the election officer
2532	will post on the website the location of each early voting polling place, including any changes
2533	to the location of an early voting polling place and the location of additional early voting
2534	polling places; and
2535	(b) a phone number that a voter may call to obtain information regarding the location
2536	of an early voting polling place.
2537	Section 39. Section 20A-3a-604 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:
2538	20A-3a-604 (Effective 07/01/21). Notice of time and place of early voting.

2539	(1) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308 or Subsection 20A-3a-603(2), the
2540	election officer shall, at least 19 days before the date of the election, [publish] provide notice of
2541	the dates, times, and locations of early voting:
2542	(a) (i) by publishing notice in at least one issue of a newspaper of general circulation in
2543	the county;
2544	[(a) (i)] (ii) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000
2545	population of the county, in places within the county that are most likely to give notice to the
2546	residents in the county, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
2547	[(iii)] (iiii) by mailing notice to each registered voter in the county;
2548	(b) by posting [the] notice at each early voting polling place;
2549	(c) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
2550	63A-16-601, for 19 days before the day of the election; and
2551	(d) by posting notice on the county's website for 19 days before the day of the election.
2552	(2) Instead of [publishing] specifying all dates, times, and locations of early voting
2553	[under Subsection (1), the election officer may publish a statement that specifies], a notice
2554	required under Subsection (1) may specify the following sources where a voter may view or
2555	obtain a copy of all dates, times, and locations of early voting:
2556	(a) the county's website;
2557	(b) the physical address of the county's offices; and
2558	(c) a mailing address and telephone number.
2559	(3) The election officer shall include in the notice described in Subsection (1):
2560	(a) the address of the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website and, if available,
2561	the address of the election officer's website, with a statement indicating that the election officer
2562	will post on the website the location of each early voting polling place, including any changes
2563	to the location of an early voting polling place and the location of additional early voting
2564	polling places; and
2565	(b) a phone number that a voter may call to obtain information regarding the location
2566	of an early voting polling place.
2567	Section 40. Section 20A-4-104 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
2568	20A-4-104 (Superseded 07/01/21). Counting ballots electronically.
2569	(1) (a) Before beginning to count ballots using automatic tabulating equipment, the

2570 election officer shall test the automatic tabulating equipment to ensure that it will accurately 2571 count the votes cast for all offices and all measures. 2572 (b) The election officer shall [publish] provide public notice of the time and place of 2573 the test: 2574 (i) (A) by publishing notice at least 48 hours before the test in a newspaper of general 2575 circulation in the county, municipality, or jurisdiction where the equipment is used; 2576 [(i)] (B) at least 10 days before the day of the test[:(A)] by posting one notice, and at 2577 least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the county, municipality, or jurisdiction, in 2578 places within the county, municipality, or jurisdiction that are most likely to give notice to the voters in the county, municipality, or jurisdiction, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or 2579 2580 [(B)] (C) at least 10 days before the day of the test, by mailing notice to each registered 2581 voter in the county, municipality, or jurisdiction where the equipment is used; 2582 (ii) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 63A-12-201, for four weeks before the day of the test; and 2583 2584 (iii) if the county, municipality, or jurisdiction has a website, by posting notice on the 2585 website for four weeks before the day of the test. 2586 (c) The election officer shall conduct the test by processing a preaudited group of 2587 ballots. 2588 (d) The election officer shall ensure that: (i) a predetermined number of valid votes for each candidate and measure are recorded 2589 2590 on the ballots; 2591 (ii) for each office, one or more ballots have votes in excess of the number allowed by 2592 law in order to test the ability of the automatic tabulating equipment to reject those votes; and 2593 (iii) a different number of valid votes are assigned to each candidate for an office, and 2594 for and against each measure. 2595 (e) If any error is detected, the election officer shall determine the cause of the error 2596 and correct it. 2597 (f) The election officer shall ensure that:

(i) the automatic tabulating equipment produces an errorless count before beginning

(ii) the automatic tabulating equipment passes the same test at the end of the count

2598

2599

2600

the actual counting; and

before the election returns are approved as official.

2602

2603

2604

2605

2606

2607

2608

2609

2610

2611

2612

2613

2614

2615

2616

2617

2618

2619

2620

2621

2622

2623

2624

2625

2626

2627

2628

2629

- (2) (a) The election officer or the election officer's designee shall supervise and direct all proceedings at the counting center.
- (b) (i) Proceedings at the counting center are public and may be observed by interested persons.
- (ii) Only those persons authorized to participate in the count may touch any ballot or return.
- (c) The election officer shall deputize and administer an oath or affirmation to all persons who are engaged in processing and counting the ballots that they will faithfully perform their assigned duties.
- (3) If any ballot is damaged or defective so that it cannot properly be counted by the automatic tabulating equipment, the election officer shall ensure that two counting judges jointly:
  - (a) make a true replication of the ballot with an identifying serial number;
  - (b) substitute the replicated ballot for the damaged or defective ballot;
  - (c) label the replicated ballot "replicated"; and
  - (d) record the replicated ballot's serial number on the damaged or defective ballot.
  - (4) The election officer may:
- (a) conduct an unofficial count before conducting the official count in order to provide early unofficial returns to the public;
  - (b) release unofficial returns from time to time after the polls close; and
  - (c) report the progress of the count for each candidate during the actual counting of ballots.
  - (5) Beginning on the day after the date of the election, if an election officer releases early unofficial returns or reports the progress of the count for each candidate under Subsection (4), the election officer shall, with each release or report, disclose an estimate of the total number of voted ballots in the election officer's custody that have not yet been counted.
  - (6) The election officer shall review and evaluate the provisional ballot envelopes and prepare any valid provisional ballots for counting as provided in Section 20A-4-107.
    - (7) (a) The election officer or the election officer's designee shall:
- 2631 (i) separate, count, and tabulate any ballots containing valid write-in votes; and

2632 (ii) complete the standard form provided by the clerk for recording valid write-in votes. 2633 (b) In counting the write-in votes, if, by casting a valid write-in vote, a voter has cast 2634 more votes for an office than that voter is entitled to vote for that office, the poll workers shall 2635 count the valid write-in vote as being the obvious intent of the voter. 2636 (8) (a) The election officer shall certify the return printed by the automatic tabulating 2637 equipment, to which have been added write-in and absentee votes, as the official return of each 2638 voting precinct. 2639 (b) Upon completion of the count, the election officer shall make official returns open 2640 to the public. 2641 (9) If for any reason it becomes impracticable to count all or a part of the ballots with 2642 tabulating equipment, the election officer may direct that they be counted manually according 2643 to the procedures and requirements of this part. 2644 (10) After the count is completed, the election officer shall seal and retain the programs, test materials, and ballots as provided in Section 20A-4-202. 2645 2646 Section 41. Section **20A-4-104** (Effective **07/01/21**) is amended to read: 20A-4-104 (Effective 07/01/21). Counting ballots electronically. 2647 2648 (1) (a) Before beginning to count ballots using automatic tabulating equipment, the 2649 election officer shall test the automatic tabulating equipment to ensure that it will accurately 2650 count the votes cast for all offices and all measures. (b) The election officer shall [publish] provide public notice of the time and place of 2651 2652 the test: 2653 (i) (A) by publishing notice at least 48 hours before the test in a newspaper of general circulation in the county, municipality, or jurisdiction where the equipment is used; 2654 2655 [(i)] (B) at least 10 days before the day of the test[:(A)], by posting one notice, and at 2656 least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the county, municipality, or jurisdiction, in

[(B)] (C) at least 10 days before the day of the test, by mailing notice to each registered voter in the county, municipality, or jurisdiction where the equipment is used;

places within the county, municipality, or jurisdiction that are most likely to give notice to the

voters in the county, municipality, or jurisdiction, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or

(ii) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 63A-16-601, for four weeks before the day of the test; and

2657

2658 2659

2660

2661

(iii) if the county, municipality, or jurisdiction has a website, <u>by posting notice</u> on the website for four weeks before the day of the test.

- (c) The election officer shall conduct the test by processing a preaudited group of ballots.
  - (d) The election officer shall ensure that:

- (i) a predetermined number of valid votes for each candidate and measure are recorded on the ballots;
  - (ii) for each office, one or more ballots have votes in excess of the number allowed by law in order to test the ability of the automatic tabulating equipment to reject those votes; and
- (iii) a different number of valid votes are assigned to each candidate for an office, and for and against each measure.
- (e) If any error is detected, the election officer shall determine the cause of the error and correct it.
  - (f) The election officer shall ensure that:
- (i) the automatic tabulating equipment produces an errorless count before beginning the actual counting; and
- (ii) the automatic tabulating equipment passes the same test at the end of the count before the election returns are approved as official.
- (2) (a) The election officer or the election officer's designee shall supervise and direct all proceedings at the counting center.
- (b) (i) Proceedings at the counting center are public and may be observed by interested persons.
- (ii) Only those persons authorized to participate in the count may touch any ballot or return.
- (c) The election officer shall deputize and administer an oath or affirmation to all persons who are engaged in processing and counting the ballots that they will faithfully perform their assigned duties.
- (3) If any ballot is damaged or defective so that it cannot properly be counted by the automatic tabulating equipment, the election officer shall ensure that two counting judges iointly:
  - (a) make a true replication of the ballot with an identifying serial number;

2694 (b) substitute the replicated ballot for the damaged or defective ballot; 2695 (c) label the replicated ballot "replicated"; and 2696 (d) record the replicated ballot's serial number on the damaged or defective ballot. 2697 (4) The election officer may: 2698 (a) conduct an unofficial count before conducting the official count in order to provide 2699 early unofficial returns to the public; 2700 (b) release unofficial returns from time to time after the polls close; and 2701 (c) report the progress of the count for each candidate during the actual counting of 2702 ballots. (5) Beginning on the day after the date of the election, if an election officer releases 2703 2704 early unofficial returns or reports the progress of the count for each candidate under Subsection 2705 (4), the election officer shall, with each release or report, disclose an estimate of the total 2706 number of voted ballots in the election officer's custody that have not yet been counted. 2707 (6) The election officer shall review and evaluate the provisional ballot envelopes and 2708 prepare any valid provisional ballots for counting as provided in Section 20A-4-107. 2709 (7) (a) The election officer or the election officer's designee shall: 2710 (i) separate, count, and tabulate any ballots containing valid write-in votes; and 2711 (ii) complete the standard form provided by the clerk for recording valid write-in votes. 2712 (b) In counting the write-in votes, if, by casting a valid write-in vote, a voter has cast 2713 more votes for an office than that voter is entitled to vote for that office, the poll workers shall 2714 count the valid write-in vote as being the obvious intent of the voter. 2715 (8) (a) The election officer shall certify the return printed by the automatic tabulating 2716 equipment, to which have been added write-in and absentee votes, as the official return of each 2717 voting precinct. (b) Upon completion of the count, the election officer shall make official returns open 2718 2719 to the public.

- 2720 (9) If for any reason it becomes impracticable to count all or a part of the ballots with tabulating equipment, the election officer may direct that they be counted manually according
- 2722 to the procedures and requirements of this part.

2723

2724

(10) After the count is completed, the election officer shall seal and retain the programs, test materials, and ballots as provided in Section 20A-4-202.

2725	Section 42. Section 20A-4-304 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
2726	20A-4-304 (Superseded 07/01/21). Declaration of results Canvassers' report.
2727	(1) Each board of canvassers shall:
2728	(a) except as provided in Part 6, Municipal Alternate Voting Methods Pilot Project,
2729	declare "elected" or "nominated" those persons who:
2730	(i) had the highest number of votes; and
2731	(ii) sought election or nomination to an office completely within the board's
2732	jurisdiction;
2733	(b) declare:
2734	(i) "approved" those ballot propositions that:
2735	(A) had more "yes" votes than "no" votes; and
2736	(B) were submitted only to the voters within the board's jurisdiction;
2737	(ii) "rejected" those ballot propositions that:
2738	(A) had more "no" votes than "yes" votes or an equal number of "no" votes and "yes"
2739	votes; and
2740	(B) were submitted only to the voters within the board's jurisdiction;
2741	(c) certify the vote totals for persons and for and against ballot propositions that were
2742	submitted to voters within and beyond the board's jurisdiction and transmit those vote totals to
2743	the lieutenant governor; and
2744	(d) if applicable, certify the results of each local district election to the local district
2745	clerk.
2746	(2) As soon as the result is declared, the election officer shall prepare a report of the
2747	result, which shall contain:
2748	(a) the total number of votes cast in the board's jurisdiction;
2749	(b) the names of each candidate whose name appeared on the ballot;
2750	(c) the title of each ballot proposition that appeared on the ballot;
2751	(d) each office that appeared on the ballot;
2752	(e) from each voting precinct:
2753	(i) the number of votes for each candidate;
2754	(ii) for each race conducted by instant runoff voting under Part 6, Municipal Alternate
2755	Voting Methods Pilot Project, the number of valid votes cast for each candidate for each

2756	potential ballot-counting phase and the name of the candidate excluded in each canvassing
2757	phase; and
2758	(iii) the number of votes for and against each ballot proposition;
2759	(f) the total number of votes given in the board's jurisdiction to each candidate, and for
2760	and against each ballot proposition;
2761	(g) the number of ballots that were rejected; and
2762	(h) a statement certifying that the information contained in the report is accurate.
2763	(3) The election officer and the board of canvassers shall:
2764	(a) review the report to ensure that it is correct; and
2765	(b) sign the report.
2766	(4) The election officer shall:
2767	(a) record or file the certified report in a book kept for that purpose;
2768	(b) prepare and transmit a certificate of nomination or election under the officer's seal
2769	to each nominated or elected candidate;
2770	(c) publish a copy of the certified report in accordance with Subsection (5); and
2771	(d) file a copy of the certified report with the lieutenant governor.
2772	(5) Except as provided in Subsection (6), the election officer shall, no later than seven
2773	days after the day on which the board of canvassers declares the election results, [publish]
2774	<u>publicize</u> the certified report described in Subsection (2):
2775	(a) (i) by publishing notice at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within
2776	the jurisdiction;
2777	[(a) (i)] (ii) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000
2778	population of the jurisdiction, in places within the jurisdiction that are most likely to give
2779	notice to the residents of the jurisdiction, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
2780	[(iii)] (iii) by mailing notice to each residence within the jurisdiction;
2781	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
2782	63A-12-201, for one week; and
2783	(c) if the jurisdiction has a website, by posting notice on the jurisdiction's website for
2784	one week.
2785	(6) Instead of [publishing] including a copy of the entire certified report [under
2786	Subsection (5), the election officer may publish, a notice required under Subsection (5) may

2787	contain	a	statement	that

2788

2789

2790

2791

2792

2793

2794

2795

2796

2797

2798

2799

2800

28012802

28032804

2805

2806

2807

2808

2809

2810

2811

- (a) includes the following: "The Board of Canvassers for [indicate name of jurisdiction] has prepared a report of the election results for the [indicate type and date of election]."; and
  - (b) specifies the following sources where an individual may view or obtain a copy of the entire certified report:
    - (i) if the jurisdiction has a website, the jurisdiction's website;
    - (ii) the physical address for the jurisdiction; and
  - (iii) a mailing address and telephone number.
  - (7) When there has been a regular general or a statewide special election for statewide officers, for officers that appear on the ballot in more than one county, or for a statewide or two or more county ballot proposition, each board of canvassers shall:
  - (a) prepare a separate report detailing the number of votes for each candidate and the number of votes for and against each ballot proposition; and
    - (b) transmit the separate report by registered mail to the lieutenant governor.
  - (8) In each county election, municipal election, school election, local district election, and local special election, the election officer shall transmit the reports to the lieutenant governor within 14 days after the date of the election.
  - (9) In a regular primary election and in a presidential primary election, the board shall transmit to the lieutenant governor:
  - (a) the county totals for multi-county races, to be telephoned or faxed to the lieutenant governor not later than the second Tuesday after the election; and
  - (b) a complete tabulation showing voting totals for all primary races, precinct by precinct, to be mailed to the lieutenant governor on or before the third Friday following the primary election.
    - Section 43. Section 20A-4-304 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:
- 2813 **20A-4-304** (Effective 07/01/21). Declaration of results -- Canvassers' report.
- 2814 (1) Each board of canvassers shall:
- 2815 (a) except as provided in Part 6, Municipal Alternate Voting Methods Pilot Project, 2816 declare "elected" or "nominated" those persons who:
- 2817 (i) had the highest number of votes; and

2818	(ii) sought election or nomination to an office completely within the board's
2819	jurisdiction;
2820	(b) declare:
2821	(i) "approved" those ballot propositions that:
2822	(A) had more "yes" votes than "no" votes; and
2823	(B) were submitted only to the voters within the board's jurisdiction;
2824	(ii) "rejected" those ballot propositions that:
2825	(A) had more "no" votes than "yes" votes or an equal number of "no" votes and "yes"
2826	votes; and
2827	(B) were submitted only to the voters within the board's jurisdiction;
2828	(c) certify the vote totals for persons and for and against ballot propositions that were
2829	submitted to voters within and beyond the board's jurisdiction and transmit those vote totals to
2830	the lieutenant governor; and
2831	(d) if applicable, certify the results of each local district election to the local district
2832	clerk.
2833	(2) As soon as the result is declared, the election officer shall prepare a report of the
2834	result, which shall contain:
2835	(a) the total number of votes cast in the board's jurisdiction;
2836	(b) the names of each candidate whose name appeared on the ballot;
2837	(c) the title of each ballot proposition that appeared on the ballot;
2838	(d) each office that appeared on the ballot;
2839	(e) from each voting precinct:
2840	(i) the number of votes for each candidate;
2841	(ii) for each race conducted by instant runoff voting under Part 6, Municipal Alternate
2842	Voting Methods Pilot Project, the number of valid votes cast for each candidate for each
2843	potential ballot-counting phase and the name of the candidate excluded in each canvassing
2844	phase; and
2845	(iii) the number of votes for and against each ballot proposition;
2846	(f) the total number of votes given in the board's jurisdiction to each candidate, and for
2847	and against each ballot proposition;
2848	(g) the number of ballots that were rejected; and

2849	(h) a statement certifying that the information contained in the report is accurate.
2850	(3) The election officer and the board of canvassers shall:
2851	(a) review the report to ensure that it is correct; and
2852	(b) sign the report.
2853	(4) The election officer shall:
2854	(a) record or file the certified report in a book kept for that purpose;
2855	(b) prepare and transmit a certificate of nomination or election under the officer's seal
2856	to each nominated or elected candidate;
2857	(c) publish a copy of the certified report in accordance with Subsection (5); and
2858	(d) file a copy of the certified report with the lieutenant governor.
2859	(5) Except as provided in Subsection (6), the election officer shall, no later than seven
2860	days after the day on which the board of canvassers declares the election results, [publish]
2861	<u>publicize</u> the certified report described in Subsection (2):
2862	(a) (i) by publishing notice at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within
2863	the jurisdiction;
2864	[(a) (i)] (ii) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000
2865	population of the jurisdiction, in places within the jurisdiction that are most likely to give
2866	notice to the residents of the jurisdiction, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
2867	[(iii)] (iii) by mailing notice to each residence within the jurisdiction;
2868	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
2869	63A-16-601, for one week; and
2870	(c) if the jurisdiction has a website, by posting notice on the jurisdiction's website for
2871	one week.
2872	(6) Instead of [publishing] including a copy of the entire certified report [under
2873	Subsection (5), the election officer may publish], a notice required under Subsection (5) may
2874	contain a statement that:
2875	(a) includes the following: "The Board of Canvassers for [indicate name of
2876	jurisdiction] has prepared a report of the election results for the [indicate type and date of
2877	election]."; and
2878	(b) specifies the following sources where an individual may view or obtain a copy of
2879	the entire certified report:

2880	(i) if the jurisdiction has a website, the jurisdiction's website;
2881	(ii) the physical address for the jurisdiction; and
2882	(iii) a mailing address and telephone number.
2883	(7) When there has been a regular general or a statewide special election for statewide
2884	officers, for officers that appear on the ballot in more than one county, or for a statewide or two
2885	or more county ballot proposition, each board of canvassers shall:
2886	(a) prepare a separate report detailing the number of votes for each candidate and the
2887	number of votes for and against each ballot proposition; and
2888	(b) transmit the separate report by registered mail to the lieutenant governor.
2889	(8) In each county election, municipal election, school election, local district election,
2890	and local special election, the election officer shall transmit the reports to the lieutenant
2891	governor within 14 days after the date of the election.
2892	(9) In a regular primary election and in a presidential primary election, the board shall
2893	transmit to the lieutenant governor:
2894	(a) the county totals for multi-county races, to be telephoned or faxed to the lieutenant
2895	governor not later than the second Tuesday after the election; and
2896	(b) a complete tabulation showing voting totals for all primary races, precinct by
2897	precinct, to be mailed to the lieutenant governor on or before the third Friday following the
2898	primary election.
2899	Section 44. Section 20A-5-101 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
2900	20A-5-101 (Superseded 07/01/21). Notice of election.
2901	(1) On or before November 15 in the year before each regular general election year, the
2902	lieutenant governor shall prepare and transmit a written notice to each county clerk that:
2903	(a) designates the offices to be filled at the next year's regular general election;
2904	(b) identifies the dates for filing a declaration of candidacy, and for submitting and
2905	certifying nomination petition signatures, as applicable, under Sections 20A-9-403, 20A-9-407,
2906	and 20A-9-408 for those offices; and
2907	(c) contains a description of any ballot propositions to be decided by the voters that
2908	have qualified for the ballot as of that date.

(2) (a) No later than seven business days after the day on which the lieutenant governor transmits the written notice described in Subsection (1), each county clerk shall [publish]

2909

2911	<u>provide</u> notice, in accordance with Subsection (3):		
2912	[(a) (i) by posting notice in a conspicuous place most likely to give notice of the		
2913	election to the voters in each voting precinct within the county; [and]		
2914	[(ii) prepare an affidavit of the posting, showing a copy of the notice and the places		
2915	where the notice was posted;]		
2916	(ii) (A) by publishing notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county;		
2917	[(b) (i)] (B) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000		
2918	population of the county, in places within the county that are most likely to give notice of the		
2919	election to the voters in the county, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or		
2920	[(ii)] (C) by mailing notice to each registered voter in the county;		
2921	[(e)] (iii) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section		
2922	63A-12-201, for seven days before the day of the election; and		
2923	[(d)] (iv) by posting notice on the county's website for seven days before the day of the		
2924	election.		
2925	(b) The county clerk shall prepare an affidavit of the posting under Subsection (2)(a)(i),		
2926	showing a copy of the notice and the places where the notice was posted.		
2927	(3) The notice described in Subsection (2) shall:		
2928	(a) designate the offices to be voted on in that election; and		
2929	(b) identify the dates for filing a declaration of candidacy for those offices.		
2930	(4) Except as provided in Subsection (6), before each election, the election officer shall		
2931	give printed notice of the following information:		
2932	(a) the date of election;		
2933	(b) the hours during which the polls will be open;		
2934	(c) the polling places for each voting precinct, early voting polling place, and election		
2935	day voting center;		
2936	(d) the address of the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website and, if available,		
2937	the address of the election officer's website, with a statement indicating that the election officer		
2938	will post on the website any changes to the location of a polling place and the location of any		
2939	additional polling place;		
2940	(e) a phone number that a voter may call to obtain information regarding the location of		
2941	a polling place; and		

2942	(f) the qualifications for persons to vote in the election.			
2943	(5) [To provide the printed notice described in Subsection (4), the] The election officer			
2944	shall [publish] provide the notice described in Subsection (4):			
2945	(a) (i) by publishing the notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the jurisdiction			
2946	to which the election pertains, at least two days before the day of the election;			
2947	[(a) (i)] (ii) at least two days before the day of the election, by posting one notice, and			
2948	at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the jurisdiction, in places within the			
2949	jurisdiction that are most likely to give notice of the election to the voters in the jurisdiction,			
2950	subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or			
2951	[(ii)] (iii) by mailing the notice to each registered voter who resides in the jurisdiction			
2952	to which the election pertains at least five days before the day of the election;			
2953	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section			
2954	63A-12-201, for two days before the day of the election; and			
2955	(c) if the jurisdiction has a website, by posting notice on the jurisdiction's website for			
2956	two days before the day of the election.			
2957	(6) Instead of including the information described in Subsection (4) in the notice, the			
2958	election officer may give printed notice that:			
2959	(a) is entitled "Notice of Election";			
2960	(b) includes the following: "A [indicate election type] will be held in [indicate the			
2961	jurisdiction] on [indicate date of election]. Information relating to the election, including			
2962	polling places, polling place hours, and qualifications of voters may be obtained from the			
2963	following sources:"; and			
2964	(c) specifies the following sources where an individual may view or obtain the			
2965	information described in Subsection (4):			
2966	(i) if the jurisdiction has a website, the jurisdiction's website;			
2967	(ii) the physical address of the jurisdiction offices; and			
2968	(iii) a mailing address and telephone number.			
2969	Section 45. Section 20A-5-101 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:			
2970	20A-5-101 (Effective 07/01/21). Notice of election.			
2971	(1) On or before November 15 in the year before each regular general election year, the			
2972	lieutenant governor shall prepare and transmit a written notice to each county clerk that:			

29/3	(a) designates the offices to be filled at the next year's regular general election;			
2974	(b) identifies the dates for filing a declaration of candidacy, and for submitting and			
2975	certifying nomination petition signatures, as applicable, under Sections 20A-9-403, 20A-9-407			
2976	and 20A-9-408 for those offices; and			
2977	(c) contains a description of any ballot propositions to be decided by the voters that			
2978	have qualified for the ballot as of that date.			
2979	(2) (a) No later than seven business days after the day on which the lieutenant governor			
2980	transmits the written notice described in Subsection (1), each county clerk shall [publish]			
2981	provide notice, in accordance with Subsection (3):			
2982	[(a) (i)] (i) by posting notice in a conspicuous place most likely to give notice of the			
2983	election to the voters in each voting precinct within the county; [and]			
2984	[(ii) prepare an affidavit of the posting, showing a copy of the notice and the places			
2985	where the notice was posted;]			
2986	(ii) (A) by publishing notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county;			
2987	[(b) (i)] (B) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000			
2988	population of the county, in places within the county that are most likely to give notice of the			
2989	election to the voters in the county, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or			
2990	[(ii)] (C) by mailing notice to each registered voter in the county;			
2991	[(c)] (iii) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section			
2992	63A-16-601, for seven days before the day of the election; and			
2993	[(d)] (iv) by posting notice on the county's website for seven days before the day of the			
2994	election.			
2995	(b) The county clerk shall prepare an affidavit of the posting under Subsection (2)(a)(i)			
2996	showing a copy of the notice and the places where the notice was posted.			
2997	(3) The notice described in Subsection (2) shall:			
2998	(a) designate the offices to be voted on in that election; and			
2999	(b) identify the dates for filing a declaration of candidacy for those offices.			
3000	(4) Except as provided in Subsection (6), before each election, the election officer shall			
3001	give printed notice of the following information:			
3002	(a) the date of election;			
3003	(b) the hours during which the polls will be open;			

(c) the polling places for each voting precinct, early voting polling place, and election day voting center;

- (d) the address of the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website and, if available, the address of the election officer's website, with a statement indicating that the election officer will post on the website any changes to the location of a polling place and the location of any additional polling place;
- (e) a phone number that a voter may call to obtain information regarding the location of a polling place; and
  - (f) the qualifications for persons to vote in the election.

- (5) [To provide the printed notice described in Subsection (4), the] The election officer shall [publish] provide the notice described in Subsection (4):
- (a) (i) by publishing the notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the jurisdiction to which the election pertains, at least two days before the day of the election;
- [(a) (i)] (ii) at least two days before the day of the election, by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the jurisdiction, in places within the jurisdiction that are most likely to give notice of the election to the voters in the jurisdiction, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
- [(ii)] (iii) by mailing the notice to each registered voter who resides in the jurisdiction to which the election pertains at least five days before the day of the election;
- (b) <u>by posting notice</u> on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 63A-16-601, for two days before the day of the election; and
- (c) if the jurisdiction has a website, <u>by posting notice</u> on the jurisdiction's website for two days before the day of the election.
- (6) Instead of including the information described in Subsection (4) in the notice, the election officer may give printed notice that:
  - (a) is entitled "Notice of Election";
- (b) includes the following: "A [indicate election type] will be held in [indicate the jurisdiction] on [indicate date of election]. Information relating to the election, including polling places, polling place hours, and qualifications of voters may be obtained from the following sources:"; and
  - (c) specifies the following sources where an individual may view or obtain the

3035	information described in Subsection (4):
3036	(i) if the jurisdiction has a website, the jurisdiction's website;
3037	(ii) the physical address of the jurisdiction offices; and
3038	(iii) a mailing address and telephone number.
3039	Section 46. Section 20A-5-403.5 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
3040	20A-5-403.5 (Superseded 07/01/21). Ballot drop boxes.
3041	(1) An election officer:
3042	(a) may designate ballot drop boxes for the election officer's jurisdiction; and
3043	(b) shall clearly mark each ballot drop box as an official ballot drop box for the
3044	election officer's jurisdiction.
3045	(2) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308 or Subsection (5), the election officer
3046	shall, at least 19 days before the date of the election, [publish] provide notice of the location of
3047	each ballot drop box designated under Subsection (1):
3048	(a) (i) by publishing notice in at least one issue of a newspaper of general circulation in
3049	the jurisdiction holding the election;
3050	[(a) (i)] (ii) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000
3051	population of the jurisdiction holding the election, in places within the jurisdiction that are
3052	most likely to give notice to the residents in the jurisdiction, subject to a maximum of 10
3053	notices; or
3054	[(ii)] (iii) by mailing notice to each registered voter in the jurisdiction holding the
3055	election;
3056	(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
3057	63A-12-201, for 19 days before the day of the election; and
3058	(c) by posting notice on the jurisdiction's website for 19 days before the day of the
3059	election.
3060	(3) Instead of [publishing] including the location of ballot drop boxes, a notice required
3061	under Subsection (2)[, the election officer may publish a statement that specifies] may specify
3062	the following sources where a voter may view or obtain a copy of all ballot drop box locations:
3063	(a) the jurisdiction's website;
3064	(b) the physical address of the jurisdiction's offices; and
3065	(c) a mailing address and telephone number.

3066	(4) The election officer shall include in the notice described in Subsection (2):			
3067	(a) the address of the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website and, if available,			
3068	the address of the election officer's website, with a statement indicating that the election office			
3069	will post on the website the location of each ballot drop box, including any changes to the			
3070	location of a ballot drop box and the location of additional ballot drop boxes; and			
3071	(b) a phone number that a voter may call to obtain information regarding the location			
3072	of a ballot drop box.			
3073	(5) (a) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308, the election officer may, after the			
3074	deadline described in Subsection (2):			
3075	(i) if necessary, change the location of a ballot drop box; or			
3076	(ii) if the election officer determines that the number of ballot drop boxes is			
3077	insufficient due to the number of registered voters who are voting, designate additional ballot			
3078	drop boxes.			
3079	(b) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308, if an election officer changes the			
3080	location of a ballot box or designates an additional ballot drop box location, the election officer			
3081	shall, as soon as is reasonably possible, give notice of the changed ballot drop box location or			
3082	the additional ballot drop box location:			
3083	(i) to the lieutenant governor, for posting on the Statewide Voter Information Website;			
3084	(ii) by posting the information on the website of the election officer, if available; and			
3085	(iii) by posting notice:			
3086	(A) for a change in the location of a ballot drop box, at the new location and, if			
3087	possible, the old location; and			
3088	(B) for an additional ballot drop box location, at the additional ballot drop box			
3089	location.			
3090	(6) An election officer may, at any time, authorize two or more poll workers to remove			
3091	a ballot drop box from a location, or to remove ballots from a ballot drop box for processing.			
3092	Section 47. Section 20A-5-403.5 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:			
3093	20A-5-403.5 (Effective 07/01/21). Ballot drop boxes.			
3094	(1) An election officer:			
3095	(a) may designate ballot drop boxes for the election officer's jurisdiction; and			

(b) shall clearly mark each ballot drop box as an official ballot drop box for the

3097 election officer's jurisdiction.

3098

3099

3100

31013102

3103

3104

3105

3106

3107

3108

3109

3110

3111

3112

3113

3114

3115

3116

3117

3118

3119

31203121

3122

3123

3124

- (2) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308 or Subsection (5), the election officer shall, at least 19 days before the date of the election, [publish] provide notice of the location of each ballot drop box designated under Subsection (1):
- (a) (i) by publishing notice in at least one issue of a newspaper of general circulation in the jurisdiction holding the election;
- [(a) (i)] (ii) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the jurisdiction holding the election, in places within the jurisdiction that are most likely to give notice to the residents in the jurisdiction, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
- [(ii)] (iii) by mailing notice to each registered voter in the jurisdiction holding the election;
  - (b) <u>by posting notice</u> on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 63A-16-601, for 19 days before the day of the election; and
  - (c) <u>by posting notice</u> on the jurisdiction's website for 19 days before the day of the election.
  - (3) Instead of [publishing] <u>including</u> the location of ballot drop boxes, a notice required under Subsection (2)[, the election officer may publish a statement that specifies] <u>may specify</u> the following sources where a voter may view or obtain a copy of all ballot drop box locations:
    - (a) the jurisdiction's website;
    - (b) the physical address of the jurisdiction's offices; and
    - (c) a mailing address and telephone number.
- (4) The election officer shall include in the notice described in Subsection (2):
- (a) the address of the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website and, if available, the address of the election officer's website, with a statement indicating that the election officer will post on the website the location of each ballot drop box, including any changes to the location of a ballot drop box and the location of additional ballot drop boxes; and
  - (b) a phone number that a voter may call to obtain information regarding the location of a ballot drop box.
- 3126 (5) (a) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308, the election officer may, after the deadline described in Subsection (2):

3128	(i) if necessary, change the location of a ballot drop box; or
3129	(ii) if the election officer determines that the number of ballot drop boxes is
3130	insufficient due to the number of registered voters who are voting, designate additional ballot
3131	drop boxes.
3132	(b) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308, if an election officer changes the
3133	location of a ballot box or designates an additional ballot drop box location, the election officer
3134	shall, as soon as is reasonably possible, give notice of the changed ballot drop box location or
3135	the additional ballot drop box location:
3136	(i) to the lieutenant governor, for posting on the Statewide Voter Information Website;
3137	(ii) by posting the information on the website of the election officer, if available; and
3138	(iii) by posting notice:
3139	(A) for a change in the location of a ballot drop box, at the new location and, if
3140	possible, the old location; and
3141	(B) for an additional ballot drop box location, at the additional ballot drop box
3142	location.
3143	(6) An election officer may, at any time, authorize two or more poll workers to remove
3144	a ballot drop box from a location, or to remove ballots from a ballot drop box for processing.
3145	Section 48. Section 20A-5-405 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
3146	20A-5-405 (Superseded 07/01/21). Election officer to provide ballots.
3147	(1) An election officer shall:
3148	(a) provide ballots for every election of public officers in which the voters, or any of
3149	the voters, within the election officer's jurisdiction participate;
3150	(b) cause the name of every candidate whose nomination has been certified to or filed
3151	with the election officer in the manner provided by law to be included on each ballot;
3152	(c) cause any ballot proposition that has qualified for the ballot as provided by law to
3153	be included on each ballot;
3154	(d) ensure that the ballots are prepared and in the possession of the election officer
3155	before commencement of voting;
3156	(e) allow candidates and their agents and the sponsors of ballot propositions that have
3157	qualified for the official ballot to inspect the ballots;
3158	(f) cause sample ballots to be printed that are in the same form as official ballots and

3159 that contain the same information as official ballots but that are printed on different colored 3160 paper than official ballots or are identified by a watermark; 3161 (g) ensure that the sample ballots are printed and in the possession of the election officer at least seven days before commencement of voting; 3162 3163 (h) make the sample ballots available for public inspection by: 3164 (i) posting a copy of the sample ballot in the election officer's office at least seven days before commencement of voting; 3165 3166 (ii) mailing a copy of the sample ballot to: 3167 (A) each candidate listed on the ballot; and 3168 (B) the lieutenant governor; 3169 (iii) [publishing] publicizing a copy of the sample ballot: 3170 (A) at least seven days before the day of the election, by posting one copy of the 3171 sample ballot, and at least one additional copy of the sample ballot per 2,000 population of the 3172 jurisdiction, in places within the jurisdiction that are most likely to give notice to the voters in 3173 the jurisdiction, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or 3174 (B) at least 10 days before the day of the election, by mailing a copy of the sample ballot to each registered voter who resides in the jurisdiction holding the election; 3175 3176 (iv) [publishing] posting a copy of the sample ballot on the Utah Public Notice 3177 Website, created in Section 63A-12-201, for seven days before the day of the election; and 3178 (v) if the jurisdiction has a website, [publishing] posting a copy of the sample ballot on 3179 the jurisdiction's website for at least seven days before the day of the election; 3180 (i) deliver at least five copies of the sample ballot to poll workers for each polling 3181 place and direct them to post the sample ballots as required by Section 20A-5-102; and 3182 (i) print and deliver, at the expense of the jurisdiction conducting the election, enough 3183 ballots, sample ballots, and instructions to meet the voting demands of the qualified voters in 3184 each voting precinct. 3185 (2) Instead of [publishing] posting the entire sample ballot under Subsection 3186 (1)(h)(iii)(A), the election officer may [publish] post a statement that: 3187 (a) is entitled, "sample ballot";

(b) includes the following: "A sample ballot for [indicate name of jurisdiction] for the

upcoming [indicate type and date of election] may be obtained from the following sources:";

3188

3190	and
3191	(c) specifies the following sources where an individual may view or obtain a copy of
3192	the sample ballot:
3193	(i) if the jurisdiction has a website, the jurisdiction's website;
3194	(ii) the physical address of the jurisdiction's offices; and
3195	(iii) a mailing address and telephone number.
3196	(3) (a) Each election officer shall, without delay, correct any error discovered in any
3197	ballot, if the correction can be made without interfering with the timely distribution of the
3198	ballots.
3199	(b) (i) If the election officer discovers an error or omission in a manual ballot, and it is
3200	not possible to correct the error or omission, the election officer shall direct the poll workers to
3201	make the necessary corrections on the manual ballots before the ballots are distributed.
3202	(ii) If the election officer discovers an error or omission in an electronic ballot and it is
3203	not possible to correct the error or omission by revising the electronic ballot, the election
3204	officer shall direct the poll workers to post notice of each error or omission with instructions or
3205	how to correct each error or omission in a prominent position at each polling booth.
3206	(c) (i) If the election officer refuses or fails to correct an error or omission in a ballot, a
3207	candidate or a candidate's agent may file a verified petition with the district court asserting that:
3208	(A) an error or omission has occurred in:
3209	(I) the publication of the name or description of a candidate;
3210	(II) the preparation or display of an electronic ballot; or
3211	(III) in the printing of sample or official manual ballots; and
3212	(B) the election officer has failed to correct or provide for the correction of the error or
3213	omission.
3214	(ii) The district court shall issue an order requiring correction of any error in a ballot or
3215	an order to show cause why the error should not be corrected if it appears to the court that the
3216	error or omission has occurred and the election officer has failed to correct or provide for the
3217	correction of the error or omission.
3218	(iii) A party aggrieved by the district court's decision may appeal the matter to the Utah
3219	Supreme Court within five days after the day on which the district court enters the decision

Section 49. Section **20A-5-405** (Effective **07/01/21**) is amended to read:

3221	20A-5-405 (Effective 07/01/21). Election officer to provide ballots.			
3222	(1) An election officer shall:			
3223	(a) provide ballots for every election of public officers in which the voters, or any of			
3224	the voters, within the election officer's jurisdiction participate;			
3225	(b) cause the name of every candidate whose nomination has been certified to or filed			
3226	with the election officer in the manner provided by law to be included on each ballot;			
3227	(c) cause any ballot proposition that has qualified for the ballot as provided by law to			
3228	be included on each ballot;			
3229	(d) ensure that the ballots are prepared and in the possession of the election officer			
3230	before commencement of voting;			
3231	(e) allow candidates and their agents and the sponsors of ballot propositions that have			
3232	qualified for the official ballot to inspect the ballots;			
3233	(f) cause sample ballots to be printed that are in the same form as official ballots and			
3234	that contain the same information as official ballots but that are printed on different colored			
3235	paper than official ballots or are identified by a watermark;			
3236	(g) ensure that the sample ballots are printed and in the possession of the election			
3237	officer at least seven days before commencement of voting;			
3238	(h) make the sample ballots available for public inspection by:			
3239	(i) posting a copy of the sample ballot in the election officer's office at least seven days			
3240	before commencement of voting;			
3241	(ii) mailing a copy of the sample ballot to:			
3242	(A) each candidate listed on the ballot; and			
3243	(B) the lieutenant governor;			
3244	(iii) [publishing] publicizing a copy of the sample ballot:			
3245	(A) at least seven days before the day of the election, by posting one copy of the			
3246	sample ballot, and at least one additional copy of the sample ballot per 2,000 population of the			
3247	jurisdiction, in places within the jurisdiction that are most likely to give notice to the voters in			
3248	the jurisdiction, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or			
3249	(B) at least 10 days before the day of the election, by mailing a copy of the sample			
3250	ballot to each registered voter who resides in the jurisdiction holding the election;			
3251	(iv) [publishing] posting a copy of the sample ballot on the Utah Public Notice			

3252 Website, created in Section 63A-16-601, for seven days before the day of the election; and 3253 (v) if the jurisdiction has a website, [publishing] posting a copy of the sample ballot on 3254 the jurisdiction's website for at least seven days before the day of the election: 3255 (i) deliver at least five copies of the sample ballot to poll workers for each polling 3256 place and direct them to post the sample ballots as required by Section 20A-5-102; and 3257 (i) print and deliver, at the expense of the jurisdiction conducting the election, enough ballots, sample ballots, and instructions to meet the voting demands of the qualified voters in 3258 3259 each voting precinct. 3260 (2) Instead of [publishing] posting the entire sample ballot under Subsection 3261 (1)(h)(iii)(A), the election officer may [publish] post a statement that: 3262 (a) is entitled, "sample ballot"; 3263 (b) includes the following: "A sample ballot for [indicate name of jurisdiction] for the 3264 upcoming [indicate type and date of election] may be obtained from the following sources:"; 3265 and (c) specifies the following sources where an individual may view or obtain a copy of 3266 3267 the sample ballot: 3268 (i) if the jurisdiction has a website, the jurisdiction's website; 3269 (ii) the physical address of the jurisdiction's offices; and 3270 (iii) a mailing address and telephone number. 3271 (3) (a) Each election officer shall, without delay, correct any error discovered in any 3272 ballot, if the correction can be made without interfering with the timely distribution of the 3273 ballots. 3274 (b) (i) If the election officer discovers an error or omission in a manual ballot, and it is 3275 not possible to correct the error or omission, the election officer shall direct the poll workers to 3276 make the necessary corrections on the manual ballots before the ballots are distributed.

(ii) If the election officer discovers an error or omission in an electronic ballot and it is not possible to correct the error or omission by revising the electronic ballot, the election officer shall direct the poll workers to post notice of each error or omission with instructions on how to correct each error or omission in a prominent position at each polling booth.

3277

3278

3279

3280

3281

3282

(c) (i) If the election officer refuses or fails to correct an error or omission in a ballot, a candidate or a candidate's agent may file a verified petition with the district court asserting that:

3283	(A) an error or omission has occurred in:
3284	(I) the publication of the name or description of a candidate;
3285	(II) the preparation or display of an electronic ballot; or
3286	(III) in the printing of sample or official manual ballots; and
3287	(B) the election officer has failed to correct or provide for the correction of the error or
3288	omission.
3289	(ii) The district court shall issue an order requiring correction of any error in a ballot or
3290	an order to show cause why the error should not be corrected if it appears to the court that the
3291	error or omission has occurred and the election officer has failed to correct or provide for the
3292	correction of the error or omission.
3293	(iii) A party aggrieved by the district court's decision may appeal the matter to the Utah
3294	Supreme Court within five days after the day on which the district court enters the decision.
3295	Section 50. Section 20A-9-203 (Superseded 07/01/21) is amended to read:
3296	20A-9-203 (Superseded 07/01/21). Declarations of candidacy Municipal general
3297	elections.
3298	(1) An individual may become a candidate for any municipal office if:
3299	(a) the individual is a registered voter; and
3300	(b) (i) the individual has resided within the municipality in which the individual seeks
3301	to hold elective office for the 12 consecutive months immediately before the date of the
3302	election; or
3303	(ii) the territory in which the individual resides was annexed into the municipality, the
3304	individual has resided within the annexed territory or the municipality the 12 consecutive
3305	months immediately before the date of the election.
3306	(2) (a) For purposes of determining whether an individual meets the residency
3307	requirement of Subsection (1)(b)(i) in a municipality that was incorporated less than 12 months
3308	before the election, the municipality is considered to have been incorporated 12 months before
3309	the date of the election.
3310	(b) In addition to the requirements of Subsection (1), each candidate for a municipal
3311	council position shall, if elected from a district, be a resident of the council district from which
3312	the candidate is elected.
3313	(c) In accordance with Utah Constitution, Article IV, Section 6, a mentally incompetent

3314 individual, an individual convicted of a felony, or an individual convicted of treason or a crime 3315 against the elective franchise may not hold office in this state until the right to hold elective 3316 office is restored under Section 20A-2-101.3 or 20A-2-101.5. 3317 (3) (a) An individual seeking to become a candidate for a municipal office shall, 3318 regardless of the nomination method by which the individual is seeking to become a candidate: 3319 (i) except as provided in Subsection (3)(b) or Title 20A, Chapter 4, Part 6, Municipal Alternate Voting Methods Pilot Project, and subject to Subsection 20A-9-404(3)(e), file a 3320 3321 declaration of candidacy, in person with the city recorder or town clerk, during the office hours 3322 described in Section 10-3-301 and not later than the close of those office hours, between June 1 3323 and June 7 of any odd-numbered year; and 3324 (ii) pay the filing fee, if one is required by municipal ordinance. 3325 (b) Subject to Subsection (5)(b), an individual may designate an agent to file a 3326 declaration of candidacy with the city recorder or town clerk if: 3327 (i) the individual is located outside of the state during the entire filing period; 3328 (ii) the designated agent appears in person before the city recorder or town clerk; 3329 (iii) the individual communicates with the city recorder or town clerk using an 3330 electronic device that allows the individual and city recorder or town clerk to see and hear each 3331 other; and 3332 (iv) the individual provides the city recorder or town clerk with an email address to 3333 which the city recorder or town clerk may send the individual the copies described in Subsection (4). 3334 3335 (c) Any resident of a municipality may nominate a candidate for a municipal office by: (i) except as provided in Title 20A, Chapter 4, Part 6, Municipal Alternate Voting 3336 3337 Methods Pilot Project, filing a nomination petition with the city recorder or town clerk during 3338 the office hours described in Section 10-3-301 and not later than the close of those office 3339 hours, between June 1 and June 7 of any odd-numbered year that includes signatures in support 3340 of the nomination petition of the lesser of at least:

(A) 25 registered voters who reside in the municipality; or

3341

- (B) 20% of the registered voters who reside in the municipality; and
- 3343 (ii) paying the filing fee, if one is required by municipal ordinance.
- 3344 (4) (a) Before the filing officer may accept any declaration of candidacy or nomination

3345	petition,	the	filing	officer	shall

3346

33473348

3349

3350

33513352

33533354

3355

3356

33573358

3359

3360

3361

33623363

3364

3365

3366

33673368

3369

3370

3371

3372

3373

3374

- (i) read to the prospective candidate or individual filing the petition the constitutional and statutory qualification requirements for the office that the candidate is seeking;
- (ii) require the candidate or individual filing the petition to state whether the candidate meets the requirements described in Subsection (4)(a)(i); and
- (iii) inform the candidate or the individual filing the petition that an individual who holds a municipal elected office may not, at the same time, hold a county elected office.
- (b) If the prospective candidate does not meet the qualification requirements for the office, the filing officer may not accept the declaration of candidacy or nomination petition.
- (c) If it appears that the prospective candidate meets the requirements of candidacy, the filing officer shall:
- (i) inform the candidate that the candidate's name will appear on the ballot as it is written on the declaration of candidacy;
- (ii) provide the candidate with a copy of the current campaign financial disclosure laws for the office the candidate is seeking and inform the candidate that failure to comply will result in disqualification as a candidate and removal of the candidate's name from the ballot;
- (iii) provide the candidate with a copy of Section 20A-7-801 regarding the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website Program and inform the candidate of the submission deadline under Subsection 20A-7-801(4)(a);
- (iv) provide the candidate with a copy of the pledge of fair campaign practices described under Section 20A-9-206 and inform the candidate that:
  - (A) signing the pledge is voluntary; and
  - (B) signed pledges shall be filed with the filing officer; and
  - (v) accept the declaration of candidacy or nomination petition.
- (d) If the candidate elects to sign the pledge of fair campaign practices, the filing officer shall:
  - (i) accept the candidate's pledge; and
- (ii) if the candidate has filed for a partisan office, provide a certified copy of the candidate's pledge to the chair of the county or state political party of which the candidate is a member.
  - (5) (a) The declaration of candidacy shall be in substantially the following form:

3376	"I, (print name), being first sworn and under penalty of perjury, say that I reside at			
3377	Street, City of, County of, state of Utah, Zip Code, Telephone Number			
3378	(if any); that I am a registered voter; and that I am a candidate for the office of			
3379	(stating the term). I will meet the legal qualifications required of candidates for this office. If			
3380	filing via a designated agent, I attest that I will be out of the state of Utah during the entire			
3381	candidate filing period. I will file all campaign financial disclosure reports as required by law			
3382	and I understand that failure to do so will result in my disqualification as a candidate for this			
3383	office and removal of my name from the ballot. I request that my name be printed upon the			
3384	applicable official ballots. (Signed)			
3385	Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me by on this			
3386	(month\day\year).			
3387	(Signed) (Clerk or other officer qualified to administer oath)."			
3388	(b) An agent designated under Subsection (3)(b) to file a declaration of candidacy may			
3389	not sign the form described in Subsection (5)(a).			
3390	(c) (i) A nomination petition shall be in substantially the following form:			
3391	"NOMINATION PETITION			
3392	The undersigned residents of (name of municipality), being registered voters, nominate			
3393	(name of nominee) for the office of (name of office) for the (length of term of office)."			
3394	(ii) The remainder of the petition shall contain lines and columns for the signatures of			
3395	individuals signing the petition and each individual's address and phone number.			
3396	(6) If the declaration of candidacy or nomination petition fails to state whether the			
3397	nomination is for the two-year or four-year term, the clerk shall consider the nomination to be			
3398	for the four-year term.			
3399	(7) (a) The clerk shall verify with the county clerk that all candidates are registered			
3400	voters.			
3401	(b) Any candidate who is not registered to vote is disqualified and the clerk may not			
3402	print the candidate's name on the ballot.			
3403	(8) Immediately after expiration of the period for filing a declaration of candidacy, the			
3404	clerk shall:			
3405	(a) [publish] publicize a list of the names of the candidates as they will appear on the			
3406	ballot:			

3407	(i) (A) by publishing the list in at least two successive publications of a newspaper of
3408	general circulation in the municipality;
3409	[(i) (A)] (B) by posting one copy of the list, and at least one additional copy of the list
3410	per 2,000 population of the municipality, in places within the municipality that are most likely
3411	to give notice to the voters in the municipality, subject to a maximum of 10 lists; or
3412	[(B)] (C) by mailing [notice] the list to each registered voter in the municipality;
3413	(ii) by posting the list on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
3414	63A-12-201, for seven days; and
3415	(iii) if the municipality has a website, by posting the list on the municipality's website
3416	for seven days; and
3417	(b) notify the lieutenant governor of the names of the candidates as they will appear on
3418	the ballot.
3419	(9) Except as provided in Subsection (10)(c), an individual may not amend a
3420	declaration of candidacy or nomination petition filed under this section after the candidate
3421	filing period ends.
3422	(10) (a) A declaration of candidacy or nomination petition that an individual files under
3423	this section is valid unless a person files a written objection with the clerk before 5 p.m. within
3424	10 days after the last day for filing.
3425	(b) If a person files an objection, the clerk shall:
3426	(i) mail or personally deliver notice of the objection to the affected candidate
3427	immediately; and
3428	(ii) decide any objection within 48 hours after the objection is filed.
3429	(c) If the clerk sustains the objection, the candidate may, before 5 p.m. within three
3430	days after the day on which the clerk sustains the objection, correct the problem for which the
3431	objection is sustained by amending the candidate's declaration of candidacy or nomination
3432	petition, or by filing a new declaration of candidacy.
3433	(d) (i) The clerk's decision upon objections to form is final.
3434	(ii) The clerk's decision upon substantive matters is reviewable by a district court if
3435	prompt application is made to the district court.
3436	(iii) The decision of the district court is final unless the Supreme Court, in the exercise
3437	of its discretion, agrees to review the lower court decision.

3438	(11) A candidate who qualifies for the ballot under this section may withdraw as a
3439	candidate by filing a written affidavit with the municipal clerk.
3440	Section 51. Section 20A-9-203 (Effective 07/01/21) is amended to read:
3441	20A-9-203 (Effective 07/01/21). Declarations of candidacy Municipal general
3442	elections.
3443	(1) An individual may become a candidate for any municipal office if:
3444	(a) the individual is a registered voter; and
3445	(b) (i) the individual has resided within the municipality in which the individual seeks
3446	to hold elective office for the 12 consecutive months immediately before the date of the
3447	election; or
3448	(ii) the territory in which the individual resides was annexed into the municipality, the
3449	individual has resided within the annexed territory or the municipality the 12 consecutive
3450	months immediately before the date of the election.
3451	(2) (a) For purposes of determining whether an individual meets the residency
3452	requirement of Subsection (1)(b)(i) in a municipality that was incorporated less than 12 months
3453	before the election, the municipality is considered to have been incorporated 12 months before
3454	the date of the election.
3455	(b) In addition to the requirements of Subsection (1), each candidate for a municipal
3456	council position shall, if elected from a district, be a resident of the council district from which
3457	the candidate is elected.
3458	(c) In accordance with Utah Constitution, Article IV, Section 6, a mentally incompetent
3459	individual, an individual convicted of a felony, or an individual convicted of treason or a crime
3460	against the elective franchise may not hold office in this state until the right to hold elective
3461	office is restored under Section 20A-2-101.3 or 20A-2-101.5.
3462	(3) (a) An individual seeking to become a candidate for a municipal office shall,
3463	regardless of the nomination method by which the individual is seeking to become a candidate:
3464	(i) except as provided in Subsection (3)(b) or Title 20A, Chapter 4, Part 6, Municipal
3465	Alternate Voting Methods Pilot Project, and subject to Subsection 20A-9-404(3)(e), file a
3466	declaration of candidacy, in person with the city recorder or town clerk, during the office hours
3467	described in Section 10-3-301 and not later than the close of those office hours, between June 1

and June 7 of any odd-numbered year; and

3469	(ii) pay the filing fee, if one is required by municipal ordinance.
3470	(b) Subject to Subsection (5)(b), an individual may designate an agent to file a
3471	declaration of candidacy with the city recorder or town clerk if:
3472	(i) the individual is located outside of the state during the entire filing period;
3473	(ii) the designated agent appears in person before the city recorder or town clerk;
3474	(iii) the individual communicates with the city recorder or town clerk using an
3475	electronic device that allows the individual and city recorder or town clerk to see and hear each
3476	other; and
3477	(iv) the individual provides the city recorder or town clerk with an email address to
3478	which the city recorder or town clerk may send the individual the copies described in
3479	Subsection (4).
3480	(c) Any resident of a municipality may nominate a candidate for a municipal office by:
3481	(i) except as provided in Title 20A, Chapter 4, Part 6, Municipal Alternate Voting
3482	Methods Pilot Project, filing a nomination petition with the city recorder or town clerk during
3483	the office hours described in Section 10-3-301 and not later than the close of those office
3484	hours, between June 1 and June 7 of any odd-numbered year that includes signatures in support
3485	of the nomination petition of the lesser of at least:
3486	(A) 25 registered voters who reside in the municipality; or
3487	(B) 20% of the registered voters who reside in the municipality; and
3488	(ii) paying the filing fee, if one is required by municipal ordinance.
3489	(4) (a) Before the filing officer may accept any declaration of candidacy or nomination
3490	petition, the filing officer shall:
3491	(i) read to the prospective candidate or individual filing the petition the constitutional
3492	and statutory qualification requirements for the office that the candidate is seeking;
3493	(ii) require the candidate or individual filing the petition to state whether the candidate
3494	meets the requirements described in Subsection (4)(a)(i); and
3495	(iii) inform the candidate or the individual filing the petition that an individual who
3496	holds a municipal elected office may not, at the same time, hold a county elected office.
3497	(b) If the prospective candidate does not meet the qualification requirements for the
3498	office, the filing officer may not accept the declaration of candidacy or nomination petition.

(c) If it appears that the prospective candidate meets the requirements of candidacy, the

3500	filing officer shall:
3501	(i) inform the candidate that the candidate's name will appear on the ballot as it is
3502	written on the declaration of candidacy;
3503	(ii) provide the candidate with a copy of the current campaign financial disclosure laws
3504	for the office the candidate is seeking and inform the candidate that failure to comply will
3505	result in disqualification as a candidate and removal of the candidate's name from the ballot;
3506	(iii) provide the candidate with a copy of Section 20A-7-801 regarding the Statewide
3507	Electronic Voter Information Website Program and inform the candidate of the submission
3508	deadline under Subsection 20A-7-801(4)(a);
3509	(iv) provide the candidate with a copy of the pledge of fair campaign practices
3510	described under Section 20A-9-206 and inform the candidate that:
3511	(A) signing the pledge is voluntary; and
3512	(B) signed pledges shall be filed with the filing officer; and
3513	(v) accept the declaration of candidacy or nomination petition.
3514	(d) If the candidate elects to sign the pledge of fair campaign practices, the filing
3515	officer shall:
3516	(i) accept the candidate's pledge; and
3517	(ii) if the candidate has filed for a partisan office, provide a certified copy of the
3518	candidate's pledge to the chair of the county or state political party of which the candidate is a
3519	member.
3520	(5) (a) The declaration of candidacy shall be in substantially the following form:
3521	"I, (print name), being first sworn and under penalty of perjury, say that I reside at
3522	Street, City of, County of, state of Utah, Zip Code, Telephone Number
3523	(if any); that I am a registered voter; and that I am a candidate for the office of
3524	(stating the term). I will meet the legal qualifications required of candidates for this office. If
3525	filing via a designated agent, I attest that I will be out of the state of Utah during the entire
3526	candidate filing period. I will file all campaign financial disclosure reports as required by law
3527	and I understand that failure to do so will result in my disqualification as a candidate for this
3528	office and removal of my name from the ballot. I request that my name be printed upon the
3529	applicable official ballots. (Signed)
3530	Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me by on this
	· <del></del>

3531	(month\day\year).
3532	(Signed) (Clerk or other officer qualified to administer oath)."
3533	(b) An agent designated under Subsection (3)(b) to file a declaration of candidacy may
3534	not sign the form described in Subsection (5)(a).
3535	(c) (i) A nomination petition shall be in substantially the following form:
3536	"NOMINATION PETITION
3537	The undersigned residents of (name of municipality), being registered voters, nominate
3538	(name of nominee) for the office of (name of office) for the (length of term of office)."
3539	(ii) The remainder of the petition shall contain lines and columns for the signatures of
3540	individuals signing the petition and each individual's address and phone number.
3541	(6) If the declaration of candidacy or nomination petition fails to state whether the
3542	nomination is for the two-year or four-year term, the clerk shall consider the nomination to be
3543	for the four-year term.
3544	(7) (a) The clerk shall verify with the county clerk that all candidates are registered
3545	voters.
3546	(b) Any candidate who is not registered to vote is disqualified and the clerk may not
3547	print the candidate's name on the ballot.
3548	(8) Immediately after expiration of the period for filing a declaration of candidacy, the
3549	clerk shall:
3550	(a) [publish] publicize a list of the names of the candidates as they will appear on the
3551	ballot:
3552	(i) (A) by publishing the list in at least two successive publications of a newspaper of
3553	general circulation in the municipality;
3554	[(i) (A)] (B) by posting one copy of the list, and at least one additional copy of the list
3555	per 2,000 population of the municipality, in places within the municipality that are most likely
3556	to give notice to the voters in the municipality, subject to a maximum of 10 lists; or
3557	[(B)] (C) by mailing [notice] the list to each registered voter in the municipality;
3558	(ii) by posting the list on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
3559	63A-16-601, for seven days; and
3560	(iii) if the municipality has a website, by posting the list on the municipality's website
3561	for seven days; and

3562 (b) notify the lieutenant governor of the names of the candidates as they will appear on 3563 the ballot. 3564 (9) Except as provided in Subsection (10)(c), an individual may not amend a 3565 declaration of candidacy or nomination petition filed under this section after the candidate 3566 filing period ends. 3567 (10) (a) A declaration of candidacy or nomination petition that an individual files under 3568 this section is valid unless a person files a written objection with the clerk before 5 p.m. within 3569 10 days after the last day for filing. 3570 (b) If a person files an objection, the clerk shall: 3571 (i) mail or personally deliver notice of the objection to the affected candidate 3572 immediately; and 3573 (ii) decide any objection within 48 hours after the objection is filed. 3574 (c) If the clerk sustains the objection, the candidate may, before 5 p.m. within three days after the day on which the clerk sustains the objection, correct the problem for which the 3575 3576 objection is sustained by amending the candidate's declaration of candidacy or nomination 3577 petition, or by filing a new declaration of candidacy. (d) (i) The clerk's decision upon objections to form is final. 3578 3579 (ii) The clerk's decision upon substantive matters is reviewable by a district court if 3580 prompt application is made to the district court. 3581 (iii) The decision of the district court is final unless the Supreme Court, in the exercise 3582 of its discretion, agrees to review the lower court decision. 3583 (11) A candidate who qualifies for the ballot under this section may withdraw as a 3584 candidate by filing a written affidavit with the municipal clerk. 3585 Section 52. Effective date. (1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), if approved by two-thirds of all the members 3586 3587 elected to each house, this bill takes effect upon approval by the governor, or the day following the constitutional time limit of Utah Constitution, Article VII, Section 8, without the governor's 3588 3589 signature, or in the case of a veto, the date of veto override.

(2) The amendments to the following sections take effect on July 1, 2021:

(a) Section 10-2-406 (Effective 07/01/21);

(b) Section 10-2-407 (Effective 07/01/21);

3590

3591

3593	(c) Section 10-2-415 (Effective 07/01/21);
3594	(d) Section 10-2-418 (Effective 07/01/21);
3595	(e) Section 10-2-419 (Effective 07/01/21);
3596	(f) Section 10-2-502.5 (Effective 07/01/21);
3597	(g) Section 10-2-703 (Effective 07/01/21);
3598	(h) Section 10-2-708 (Effective 07/01/21);
3599	(i) Section 10-2a-210 (Effective 07/01/21);
3600	(j) Section 10-2a-213 (Effective 07/01/21);
3601	(k) Section 10-2a-214 (Effective 07/01/21);
3602	(1) Section 10-2a-215 (Effective 07/01/21);
3603	(m) Section 10-2a-405 (Effective 07/01/21);
3604	(n) Section 10-18-203 (Effective 07/01/21);
3605	(o) Section 11-14-202 (Effective 07/01/21);
3606	(p) Section 17B-1-643 (Effective 07/01/21);
3607	(q) Section 17B-2a-705 (Effective 07/01/21);
3608	(r) Section 20A-3a-604 (Effective 07/01/21);
3609	(s) Section 20A-4-104 (Effective 07/01/21);
3610	(t) Section 20A-4-304 (Effective 07/01/21);
3611	(u) Section 20A-5-101 (Effective 07/01/21);
3612	(v) Section 20A-5-403.5 (Effective 07/01/21);
3613	(w) Section 20A-5-405 (Effective 07/01/21); and
3614	(x) Section 20A-9-203 (Effective 07/01/21).